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Suppose you're groping for a Latin-sounding word for a tie or a junction and you just cannot remember it. Look up whichever way occurs to you.

UNDER: *Bond*

OR UNDER: *Connection*

OR UNDER: *Link*

EACH OF WHICH LEADS YOU TO: *Nexus*

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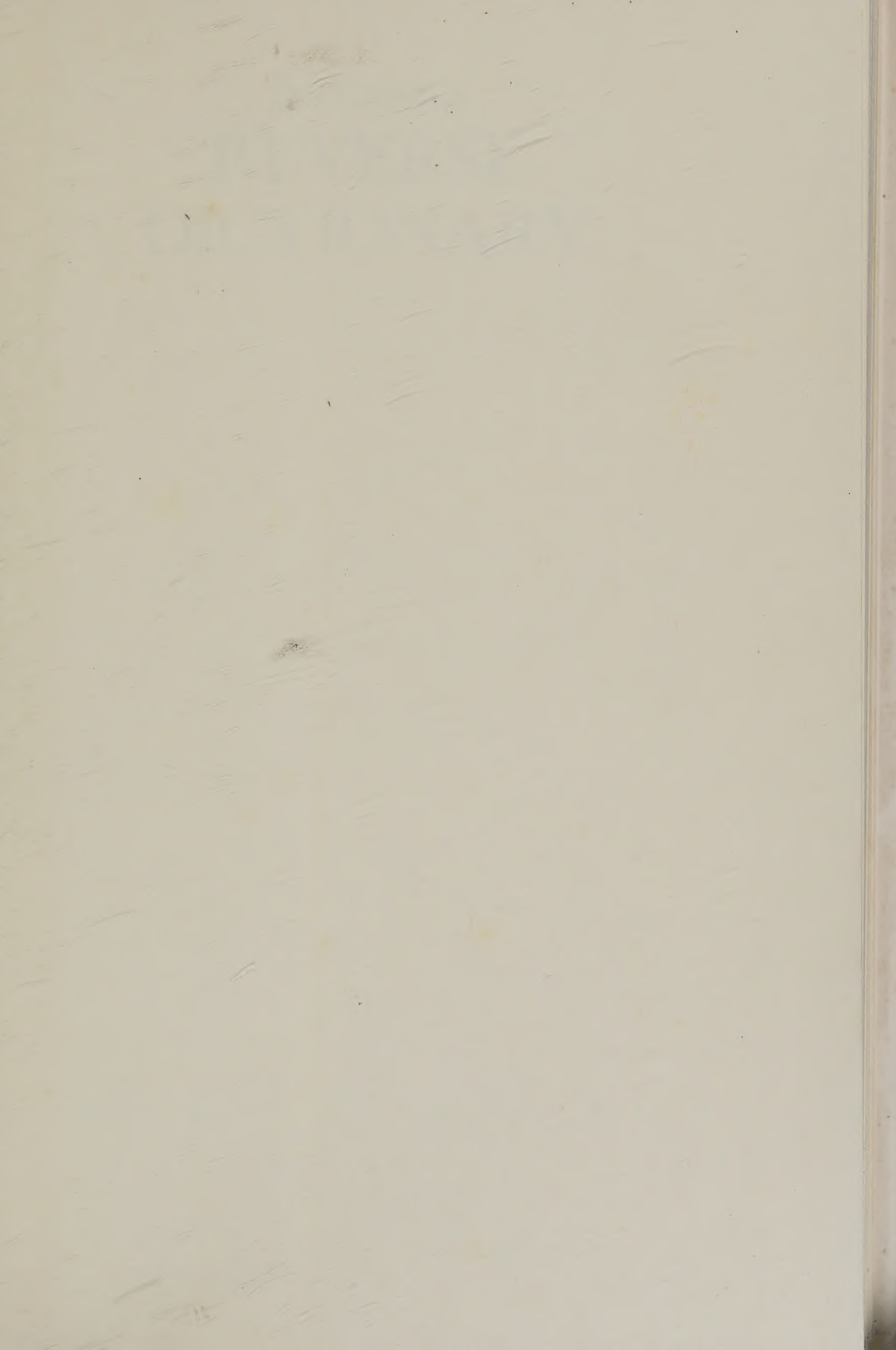
What do you do if you know there's a word for something, but you can't think of what it is? You grope—you guess—you reach. What is the word for a sentence that reads the same backward as forward? Look here under the "b's" for "backward" (the clue) and there you find the target: palindrome. Or under "reverse" or "right to left." Voilà!

As Mr. Bernstein says in his foreword: "Let's say the groper was groping for 'Adonis'; most probably he would turn to the h's and look for 'handsome' or he would turn to the m's and look for 'man.' Either way he would be rewarded . . . and he would be at grope's end." Try "applauders" and you will be led to "claque"—13,390 of these entries plus a long index.



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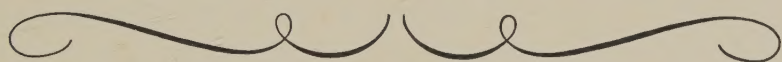
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. . . and this one is for Ethel

Yes, A New Dictionary

A conventional dictionary lists words alphabetically and gives you their meanings. This unconventional dictionary lists an array of meanings alphabetically and gives you the words. That is why it is called a Reverse Dictionary.

The words it discovers for you are those you have momentarily forgotten or those you never knew or those of whose meanings you were not quite certain. If I tell you how the concept originated, it may make the idea more quickly understandable.

One evening a couple of us, in the course of conversation, got onto the subject of Chinese cuisine. My friend said he was especially fond of won ton soup. That led me to remark that the words “won ton” made perhaps even more sense if they were read backward. Whereupon my friend cried out, “Yes, just like that famous sentence, ‘Madam, I’m Adam.’ What *do* you call that kind of sentence?” I replied, “I know the word you want, but I’m damned if I can think of it at this moment. But anyway, ‘won ton’ is not what that word refers to, because then ‘won ton’ would have to read exactly the same backward as forward. And it doesn’t.”

On and off, between drinks, the two of us struggled for the rest of the evening to recall that word, elusive and yet familiar to both of us.

The next morning I telephoned him in triumph. “You know what we needed?” I said. “A reverse dictionary.”

“A what?” said he.

“A reverse dictionary. When we couldn’t think of that word last night we would have gone to the reverse dictionary and looked under the *b*’s for ‘backward,’ and it would have said something like, ‘backward—a sentence that reads backward the same as forward: PALINDROME.’ Or we could have looked under the *r*’s for ‘reverse’ and it would have said, ‘reverse—a sentence that reads the same in reverse as forward: PALINDROME.’ Or if neither of those definitions had occurred to us, we could have tried under the *r*’s for ‘right to left—a sentence that reads from right to left just as it does from left to right: PALINDROME.’ Get it?”

He got it, all right, and that is how this project began.

It has entailed labor, to be sure, but it was lovable labor. I found it lovable and so did Jane Wagner, who toiled mightily and perceptively as my collaborator. Our labor involved two principal tasks. One was selecting the words to be included in this lexicon; the other was framing the definitions in ways that would make the words readily findable.

In selecting the entries, we had to hit a happy medium between commonplace, everyday words that everyone except a thirteen-month-old infant knows (and would never have to grope for) and words that are so remote from general use that only a specialist in a particular field would have occasion to employ them. Thus you won't find *and* or *the* or *boy* or *box* in this dictionary, nor will you find many words like *bradykinin* or *in-tratelluric* or *thysanuran*. But you will find *brouhaha* and *cholesterol* and *alliteration* and *danseur*.

Framing the definitions was somewhat more difficult. Let me first set forth two items of terminology that we used and that will be used in this introduction. The word to be defined—that is, the word the user of this dictionary is groping for—we call the *target word*. The first word or words of each definition—that is, the word or phrase that is a synonym for the target word, or at least bears a sense relation to it—we call the *clue word*. It is the clue words that are alphabetized in this vocabulary and it is the clue words that lead into definitions of the target words.

Naturally in most instances these clue words cannot be the first words that ordinarily appear in dictionary definitions, since dictionary definitions often begin with such things as "of or pertaining to" or "the act of" or "any of various substances." Phrases like those would not be helpful here; the first word of each entry must be meaningful. In addition, it must be a word that most likely would occur to the groper for a target word. Let's say the groper was groping for "Adonis"; most probably he would turn to the *h*'s and look for "handsome" or he would turn to the *m*'s and look for "man." Either way he would be rewarded: Under the *h*'s he would find "handsome man: ADONIS" and under the *m*'s he would find "man of great beauty: ADONIS." And he would be at grope's end.

Although we have tried to adhere to dictionary definitions—particularly, although not exclusively, to the concise ones in Funk and Wagnalls Standard College Dictionary—we have sometimes had to modify them so as to begin with meaningful clue words. Moreover, although our definitions give the sense of the target word accurately, their wording on a few occasions does not conform to the part of speech of the target word. For instance, one entry for the noun "agnosticism" is not a noun but rather a phrase: "God's existence questioned." Using that definition provides a helpful clue word—"God's"—and no damage is done to the word's meaning. This book is not, after all, a conventional dictionary.

Still, for a person momentarily lacking any kind of conventional dictionary whatever, this lexicon could help fill the gap. The target words appear alphabetically at the back of the book as an index, accompanied by page numbers that tell where their definitions or synonyms may be found. In other words, this reverse dictionary if used *in reverse* could be a con-

ventional dictionary, though a very abridged one. That puts it one up on a normal dictionary, which can be used in only one direction. Of course, the definitions in this one are not so detailed nor so comprehensive as those in a conventional dictionary, and they are not intended to be. Yet they do give more than a hint of what each target word means.

This reverse dictionary is not a thesaurus either, yet within the limitation of the number of words it contains it can serve a similar purpose. The normal thesaurus throws masses of synonyms and closely or distantly related words at you, often leaving you to find your own way out of the jungle it has created. This lexicon gives you, by means of the clue words, synonyms or closely related expressions ranging from one to five or six for each target word. For the target word *ACAUDAL*, all that anyone needs for a synonym or a definition is “tailless.” For the target word *AMBIENCE*, however, more is required, and in this vocabulary you will find five entries, as follows:

- atmosphere of a place or situation
- environmental distinctiveness
- feel of a place or situation
- milieu
- surroundings

Thus when using this dictionary for its principal purpose, if you could not recall the word *AMBIENCE* you could look under any one of those five entries and there the target word would be awaiting you. On the other hand, if you were looking for another way of saying “ambience,” you could look in the index and be referred to all of those five entries. In doing that you would be using this work as a thesaurus.

Parenthetically, listing those five entries referring to *AMBIENCE* brings to mind one of the fascinating difficulties we encountered in devising this dictionary. We found we had to be seers—mind readers for thousands of people. We constantly kept asking ourselves the question, “If Jane Doe Smith couldn’t recall Word A, what kindred word or expression to look under would pop into her mind?” We tried to think of as many relevant look-up words as we could and thus the clue words kept multiplying.

That process gave the book a lagniappe that hadn’t occurred to us at first: the more entries the wider the opportunity for service to word fiends—vocabulary builders, crossword-puzzle workers and double-croctic solvers. After all, the pattern of this book is not unlike that of a crossword puzzle dictionary, though neither could replace the other. But if the crossword puzzle demanded a six-letter word for a “handsome man,” you would find “Adonis” waiting for you in these pages.

If you wanted to get still more fun out of this basically serious book, you could use it to generate new word games in your living room. For in-

stance, after the first round of cocktails, the host, leafing through these pages, could ask Guest A, "What's a word for an ancient adding machine?" If the guest came up with "abacus," the host could reward him with a second cocktail. Then the host could turn to Guest B and say, "Give me any one of a half a dozen definitions of 'abecedarian,' " and if Guest B scratched his head in vain, the host could say, "What you need is another cocktail," and give it to him. And so it could go.

Fundamentally, however, this book is designed with a serious purpose. It is intended to help all users of English, and particularly serious writers, to find words that temporarily are eluding them or words that they did not know even existed. It has as a chief purpose keeping them from settling for a second-best word by making easily available the precise word they require and should have. And needless to say, precision in language is a continuing imperative.

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Now for three minor details that should be called to the attention of users of this dictionary:

1. The various kinds of phobias are not entered separately. They appear in a listing under the clue word "phobias."

2. Likewise, the various kinds of manias are not entered separately. They appear in a listing under the clue word "manias." This listing, as well as that of phobias, is derived in the main from Funk and Wagnalls Standard College Dictionary.

3. Terms for groups, males, females and the young of animals, birds, fish and other creatures are not entered separately, but appear in a chart headed "Creature Terms" under the letter C.

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A

- abandon, yield, give up: RELINQUISH
 abandon an undertaking: SCUTTLE
 abandoned, deserted, wretched, cheerless:
 FORLORN
 abandoning of one's faith, party or principles: APOSTASY
 abate, calm, quiet: SUBSIDE
 abbreviation or sign representing a word
 such as the dollar sign: LOGOGRAM
 abdominal pain resulting from muscular
 spasms: COLIC
 abhorrence, disgust or dislike in the extreme: LOATHING
 abide, continue unchanged: SUBSIST
 ability, skill: PROWESS
 ability to do something adroitly: KNACK
 abnormal: ANOMALOUS
 abnormal: TERATOID
 abnormal, diverging from the natural
 order: PRETERNATURAL
 abnormal or irregular arrangement of
 parts, as parts of the body: HETERO-
 TAXIS
 abominable, revolting, detestable: EX-
 ECRABLE
 abominable snowman: YETI
 about, approximately: CIRCA
 about face: VOLTE-FACE
 about to happen without delay: IMMINENT
 about to occur: IMPEND
 above all others in importance: PARA-
 MOUNT
 above comparison, preeminently: PAR EX-
 CELLENCE
 above the taste of the masses: CAVIAR TO
 THE GENERAL
 abridge or make concise: CONDENSE
 abridgement that is brief but comprehen-
 sive: COMPENDIUM
 abrogate, repeal, revoke: RESCIND
 abrupt, sharp emphasis: STACCATO
 abrupt passage from one condition to an-
 other: TRANSILIENT
 abruptly cause: PRECIPITATE
 absence of government: ANARCHY
 absence of life: ABIOSIS
 absent-minded: DISTRAIT
 absolute, complete: UNMITIGATED
 absolute, full, complete: PLENARY
 absolute, positive, final, decisive: PER-
 EMPTORY
 absolute, unreserved: IMPLICIT
 absolute, without any qualifications: CAT-
 EGORICAL
 absolute government by an individual:
 AUTOCRACY
 absolute power, supreme command: IM-
 PERIUM
 absolute rule: AUTARCHY
 absolve: VINDICATE
 absorb, occupy completely, monopolize:
 ENGROSS
 absorbed in one's thoughts: BROWN STUDY
 absorbed in completely: RAPT
 abstainer from alcoholic drinks: TEETO-
 TALLER
 abstaining from sexual intercourse, in ac-
 cordance with religious vows: CELI-
 BATE
 abstract, concise summary: PRÉCIS
 abstract, speculative philosophy: META-
 PHYSICS
 abstract quality or essence of anything:
 DISTILLATION
 abstruse, hidden: RECONDITE
 abstruse, secret, unknown except by a few
 specially instructed individuals: ESO-
 TERIC
 absurd appearance given to something or
 someone: STULTIFIED
 absurd, ridiculous: LUDICROUS
 absurd, senseless: IRRATIONAL

absurdity of an argument or proposition demonstrated: REDUCTIO AD ABSURDUM
 abundant, lavish, generous: PROFUSE
 abundant, numerous: GALORE
 abundant, plentiful: RIFE
 abuse, handle roughly, manhandle: MAUL
 abuse, vilify: REVILE
 abuse by words: INVECTIVE
 abuse or satirize in humorous prose or verse: LAMPOON
 abusive, coarse in language: SCURRILOUS
 abusive and defamatory words: OBLOQUY
 abusive and loud: THERSITICAL
 abusive denunciation, harangue: DIATRIBE
 abusive, disgracing: OPPROBRIOUS
 abusive language: VITUPERATION
 accent, way of speaking a language: INTONATION
 accent mark consisting of two dots over a letter (ü): DIERESIS OR UMLAUT
 accent mark, hooklike, placed under a "c" (ç): CEDILLA
 accent mark in form of an inverted "v" (˘): CIRCUMFLEX ACCENT
 accent mark in Spanish and Portuguese (˜): TILDE
 accent mark that runs from northeast to southwest (´): ACUTE ACCENT
 accent mark that runs from northwest to southeast (˘): GRAVE ACCENT
 accented forcibly in music: SFORZANDO
 accept as self-evident truth: POSTULATE
 accept or conclude from evidence: INFER
 accepted, popular, everyday speech: VULGATE
 accepted practice: PRAXIS
 accessory: APPURTENANCE
 accidental, fortunate by chance rather than design: FORTUITOUS
 accidental, random: HAPHAZARD
 accidental occurrence: HAPPENSTANCE
 accidentally acquired: ADVENTITIOUS
 accompany factor or circumstance: CONCOMITANT
 accomplice in crime: PARTICEPS CRIMINIS
 accomplish, bring about: EFFECT
 accomplished fact, done beyond recall: FAIT ACCOMPLI
 accomplishment or realization of things worked for: FRUITION
 accord, harmonious relationship: RAPPORT
 accordion-like small instrument: CONCERTINA

accurate, certain: UNERRING
 accurate, exact, precise: NICE
 accurate reproduction: FIDELITY
 accurate reproduction of a quotation indicated by this word meaning thus or so: SIC
 accusation of wrongdoing made against a public official: IMPEACHMENT
 accusation or the charging of a wrongdoing or fault: IMPUTATION
 accusation or denunciation that is violent: INVECTIVE
 accuse, charge with a crime: INDICT
 accuse falsely: CALUMNIATE
 accuse in return: RECRIMINATE
 accuse of wrongdoing or imply guilt: INCRIMINATE
 accustom oneself or someone to something: CONDITION
 accustom to something difficult: INURE
 accustomed or used to, habituated: WONT
 acme, highest point: PINNACLE
 acquainted or familiar with a subject: CONVERSANT
 acquired object or entity: ACQUEST
 acquit, justify: VINDICATE
 acquit or free from accusation or blame: EXONERATE
 acrid: PUNGENT
 acrobats' canvas sheet stretched on a frame: TRAMPOLINE
 across: ATHWART
 acrostic form in which the final letters of successive lines form a word: TELESTICH
 acrostic form in which the middle letters of successive lines form a word: MESTICH
 act as a judge: ADJUDICATE
 act as an official: OFFICIATE
 acting hastily: BRASH
 activate, lead, inspire, as a group: SPARK-PLUG
 active, lively: VIVACIOUS
 actor or actress: THESPIAN
 actor who feeds comedian lines: STRAIGHT MAN
 actual, real: SUBSTANTIVE
 acute, keen, sharp, biting: INCISIVE
 acute, keen as in pleasure or pain: EXQUISITE
 ad lib: EXTEMPORANEOUS
 adage: APHORISM
 add at the end: SUBJOIN

add or inject certain elements: INCORPORATE
 added syllable or group of syllables at the end of a word: SUFFIX
 adding machine of ancients: ABACUS
 addition, increase, something added or gained: INCREMENT
 addition of a sound to the beginning of a word: PROTHESIS
 addition to a will: CODICIL
 additions, insertions, interruptions in a discourse, process or series: INTERPOLATIONS
 addressing a person or thing in a digression: APOSTROPHE
 address to graduating class: BACCALAUREATE
 adept at many things: VERSATILE
 adhesive, sticky: VISCID
 adjective linked to a noun to which it normally does not apply: TRANSFERRED EPITHET
 adjunct: APPURTENANCE
 adjust, temper, soften or regulate: MODULATE
 adjusted to a situation: RECONCILED
 adjustment: ORIENTATION
 adjustment to meet the demands of the environment: REALITY PRINCIPLE
 adjustment to society's cultural norms: ACCULTURATION, ENCULTURATION
 administration or manner of governing: GOVERNANCE
 admirable or consummate: EXQUISITE
 admittance: ACCESS
 admonish or advise strongly, urge by earnest appeal: EXHORT
 adorn magnificently, extol, celebrate: EMBLAZON
 adroit, skillful: DEXTEROUS
 adroit or ingenious creation or performance: TOUR DE FORCE
 adultery, in law: CRIMINAL CONVERSATION
 advance announcement of the coming of someone or something: HARBINGER
 advanced beyond what is usual for one's age: PRECOCIOUS
 advantage spot for observation: COIGN OF VANTAGE
 advantageous: EXPEDIENCY
 adverb that is misplaced so it could modify either of two words: SQUINTING MODIFIER
 adverse, unfortunate: UNTOWARD

adversely influence or affect something: MILITATE
 advertisement or notice, usually distributed by hand: HANDBILL
 advertising space measurement: AGATE LINE
 advertising that is sensational: BALLYHOO
 advise of a fault: ADMONISH
 advise or recommend strongly, urge by earnest appeal: EXHORT
 adviser or critic who is frank and severe: DUTCH UNCLE
 advisers, usually secret and unofficial: CAMARILLA
 advocacy or support, as of a cause: ESPOUSAL
 advocate or originator of a cause: PROPOONENT
 aesthetic qualities associated with ancient Greece and Rome: CLASSICISM
 affectation of style or peculiarity of manner: MANNERISM
 affected, artificial: FACTITIOUS
 affected display of modesty: PRUDERY
 affected in writing, behavior, etc.: PRECIOUS
 affectedly prim, elegant or dainty: MINCING
 affecter of attitudes to impress others: POSEUR
 affecting superiority, ostentatious: PRETENTIOUS
 affection that is foolish or excessive: DOTAGE
 affirmative expressed by negating its opposite: LITOTES
 affront, insult: INDIGNITY
 after-dinner: POSTPRANDIAL
 after the fact: EX POST FACTO
 after-the-event perception: HINDSIGHT
 after death: POSTHUMOUS
 aftereffect, reverberation: REPERCUSSION
 aftermath: WAKE
 aftermath or hay or grass in its second growth: ROWEN
 against, as in having influence or effect against something: MILITATE
 against change or progress, conservative: REACTIONARY
 age of a girl before which intercourse is rape: AGE OF CONSENT
 age or length of life beyond the ordinary: LONGEVITY
 aged, infirm, doting: SENILE

agent, deputy, substitute: VICAR
 agent in financing: FACTOR
 agent or adviser who is powerful but unofficial: EMINENCE GRISE
 agent planted in organization to incite punishable actions: AGENT PROVOCATEUR
 agent that remains unchanged while changing other components: CATALYST
 agent who handles orders to buy and sell securities: BROKER
 agency that sells articles to a number of periodicals: SYNDICATE
 aggressive: BUMPTIOUS
 aggressive, lively: FEISTY
 aging and the aged, as a scientific study: GERONTOLOGY
 aging, growing old: SENESCENT
 agitated, worried, tense, bewildered: DISTRAUGHT
 agitating violently: TURBULENT
 agonizing, painful: EXCRUCIATING
 agree: ACCEDE
 agree: JIBE
 agree exactly: COINCIDE
 agreeable in manner or style, apt, well-chosen: FELICITOUS
 agreeable to persuasion or change: AMENABLE
 agreeableness: COMPLAISANCE
 agreeing or conforming: CONGRUENT
 agreement: CONCURRENCE
 agreement: CONSONANCE
 agreement, compact, pledge: COVENANT
 agreement, treaty, contract: PACT
 agreement guaranteed solely by the pledged word of the parties involved: GENTLEMAN'S AGREEMENT
 agreement made by disputants pending final accord: MODUS VIVENDI
 agreement of all concerned: UNANIMITY
 agreement or opinion that is general: CONSENSUS
 agreement that is mutual: ENTENTE
 agricultural interest: AGRARIAN
 aid, succor: SUBVENTION
 aid or support as an auxiliary: ANCILLARY
 aim, goal, purpose: INTENT
 aimed straight at a target and close enough so the projectile does not fall appreciably: POINT-BLANK
 aimless wandering: MEANDERING
 air attack with machine-gun fire from low-flying planes: STRAFE

air column swirling around a vertical axis: WHIRLWIND
 aircraft carrier: FLATTOP
 aircraft enclosure, especially one housing an engine: NACELLE
 aircraft on a single military mission: SORTIE
 aircraft workshop or shelter: HANGAR
 air-cushion vehicle: HOVERCRAFT
 airhole: SPIRACLE
 airplane landing that is perfect: THREE-POINT LANDING
 airplane pilots' nervous disorder: AERONEUROSIS
 airplane's prospective passenger who fails to claim reservation: NO-SHOW
 airtight: HERMETIC
 airy, light, spiritual: ETHEREAL
 alarm, bell signal: TOCSIN
 alarm, upset, disturb: PERTURB
 Albuquerque resident: ALBUQUERQUEAN
 alcoholic appetizer: APERITIF
 alcoholic derelict: WINO
 alcoholic liquor, given to: BIBULOUS
 alcoholic liquor added in small quantity to a beverage: LACE
 alcoholic strong liquor: SCHNAPPS
 alcoholism, craving for alcohol: DIP-SOMANIA
 ale or beer and ginger ale mixed: SHANDYGAFF
 alert, watchful: VIGILANT
 alienated, estranged: DISAFFECTED
 alignment with a margin: FLUSH
 likeness of a trait, characteristic or viewpoint: COMMON DENOMINATOR
 all at one time: HOLUS-BOLUS
 all life held as sacred: AHIMSA
 all kinds of things accepted, as by the mind: OMNIVOROUS
 all performers take part, in music: TUTTI
 alleviate, extenuate: PALLIATE
 alley lined with dwellings that were formerly stables: MEWS
 alliance: COALITION
 alliance of two or more business concerns for a venture: CONSORTIUM
 all-important thing: BE-ALL AND END-ALL
 allowable, permissible: TOLERABLE
 allowance, salary, pension: STIPEND
 allowing unusual freedom, lenient: PERMISSIVE
 almighty: OMNIPOTENT
 almost, nearly: WELL-NIGH
 alms or charity: ELEMOSYNARY

alone: ISOLATED
 alphabetic characters of one language used to represent the letters of another: TRANSLITERATION
 alphabet in small letters used in printing: LOWER CASE
 alphabet matters: ABECEDARIAN
 altar boy: ACOLYTE
 altar boy who carries the censer: THURIFER
 alter a female animal by removal of ovaries: SPAY
 alter or deter the plans of someone by persuasion: DISSUADE
 alteration, destruction, mutilation, especially of a legal document: SPOLIATION
 alternate, change places: INTERCHANGE
 altitude, instrument for measuring: ALTIMETER
 altogether, entirely: IN TOTO
 always prepared: SEMPER PARATUS
 amaze, astound: FLABBERGAST
 amazement, fear or panic that is sudden and paralyzing: CONSTERNATION
 amazing, hard to believe: INCREDIBLE
 amazing, wonderful: PRODIGIOUS
 ambiguity, usual unintentional and because of grammatical looseness: AMPHIBOLOGY
 ambiguous, insincere: LEFT-HANDED
 ambiguous or oracular: DELPHIC
 ambiguous talk: DOUBLE TALK
 ambiguous, uncertain in origin or character, double meaning, dubious: EQUIVOCAL
 ambush: WAYLAY
 amends, restoration to proper condition: REPARATION
 American Indian male who is married: SANNUP
 among other things: INTER ALIA
 amount: QUANTUM
 amount by which a stock or bond may sell above its dollar value: PREMIUM
 amount of stock an individual has sold even though he didn't own it and hasn't yet paid for it: SHORT POSITION
 amount that must be paid by customer even though he uses his broker's credit for purchase: MARGIN
 amulet or charm: TALISMAN
 ammunition belt over shoulder: BANDOLIER
 ammunition wagon: CAISSON
 amuse, distract, entertain: DIVERT

amuse, entertain: REGALE
 amuse or occupy oneself, frisk about, frolic: DISPORT
 amusement: DIVERTISSEMENT
 amusement, pastime: DIVERSION
 anagram, or word puzzle: LOGOGRIPH
 analysis of something that has happened; an after-death examination: POST-MORTEM
 analysis or interpretation of a word, passage or work: EXEGESIS
 analyze, break up or separate into parts: RESOLVE
 ancestor dating furthest back, forefather: PRIMOGENITOR
 ancestral line: PEDIGREE
 ancestry, pedigree: LINEAGE
 anchor for small boats: KILLICK
 ancient, outmoded, old-fashioned, out of step with the times: ANTEDILUVIAN
 ancient, venerable, gray- or white-haired: HOARY
 ancient writing: PALEOGRAPHY
 "and" symbol (&): AMPERSAND
 and the following: ET SEQ.
 angel of the highest rank: SERAPH
 angle iron or metal bracket used to strengthen a corner or angle of a structure: GUSSET
 anger, embitter: RANKLE
 anger, enrage: INCENSE
 anger or offense shown: BRIDLE
 anger roused by injustice or baseness: INDIGNATION
 angry, enraged: IRATE
 angry, resentful: IN HIGH DUDGEON
 angry and frowning stare: GLOWER
 angry argument: ALTERCATION
 angry behavior: BELLICOSITY
 angry dispute, quarrel: WRANGLE
 angry or irritated state: SNIT
 angry or sullen look, scowl: LOWER
 anguish, distress, pain, suffering: TRAVAIL
 animal and plant functions and processes, as a science: PHYSIOLOGY
 animal and plant structures, as a study apart from function: MORPHOLOGY
 animal bereft of its horns: POLLARD
 animal doctor: VETERINARIAN
 animal or plant selected as representative of a new species: HOLOTYPE
 animal or plant surviving from an earlier period or type: RELICT
 animal preservation after death by stuffing and mounting skins: TAXIDERM

- animal worship: ZOOLATRY
 animals living in a given area: FAUNA
 animals that are warm-blooded and whose offspring are fed with milk from female mammary glands: MAMMALS
 animate or pervade: INFORM
 ankle bones, as a group: TARSUS
 annihilation or destruction of an entire people or national group: GENOCIDE
 annotate a text between the lines: INTERLINE
 announce officially, put into effect: PROMULGATE
 annoy, weary, vex: IRK
 annoy or harass with taunts or questions: HECKLE
 annoy or taunt by reminding of a fault: TWIT
 annoying, irritating: VEXATIOUS
 annoying, provoking, prodding person: GADFLY
 annually recurring, said of certain Mediterranean summer winds: ETESIAN
 annul: INVALIDATE
 annul, as a law or a right: ABROGATE
 annul, suspend: SUPERSEDE
 answer sharply: RETORT
 antagonist or opposing thing that threatens retribution or defeat: NEMESIS
 antagonistic, hostile: INIMICAL
 antagonistic, hostile, resisting: REPUGNANT
 antic, caper: DIDO
 antic, caper: GAMBADO
 anticipatory: PREVENIENT
 anti-government in any form: ANARCHIC
 antiquated: ANTEDILUVIAN
 anxiety: DISQUIETUDE
 anxiety, agitation, nervous excitement: DITHER
 anxiety about one's health, often over imagined symptoms: HYPOCHONDRIA
 anxiety or concern: SOLICITUDE
 anxiety or state of suspense: ON TENTERHOOKS
 apartment consisting of single room with kitchenette and bathroom: EFFICIENCY APARTMENT
 apartment house in which occupants own shares of stock in the building: CO-OPERATIVE
 apartment house in which units are owned separately by individuals: CONDOMINIUM
 apathetic: PHLEGMATIC
 apathetic, lackadaisical, indifferent: LISTLESS
 apathetic, unconcerned: INDIFFERENT
 apathy, sluggishness, dullness: LETHARGY
 apathy, stupor: TORPOR
 ape-like: SIMIAN
 apex, top: VERTEX
 apologetic: DEPRECATORY
 apologetic, meek, shy person: MILQUE-TOAST
 apparatus that functions by itself: AUTOMATON
 apparent, seeming: OSTENSIBLE
 apparent to sight or understanding, evident, obvious: MANIFEST
 apparently but not really correct: SPECIOUS
 apparition of a person thought to be alive, seen just before or after his death: WRAITH
 apparition or ghost: SPECTER
 apparitions or images in a series, as in a dream: PHANTASMAGORIA
 appeal earnestly, direct, command: ADJURE
 appeal to prejudice, not reason: AD HOMINEM
 appealing to emotions: AFFECTIVE
 appear or come into view as through a mist often ominously: LOOM
 appearance: SEMBLANCE
 appearance, aspect: GUISE
 appearance, manner: MIEN
 appearance-improving: COSMETIC
 appearance of truth: VERISIMILITUDE
 appearance or aspect that is false in order to deceive: GUISE
 appearance or look of a thing: PHYSIOGNOMY
 appearance or manifestation of a deity, a showing forth: EPIPHANY
 appearing in various passages in a book: PASSIM
 appeasable, forgiving: PLACABLE
 appease, pacify: PLACATE
 appease, win good will: PROPITIATE
 appease or satisfy by deceit, put off by lies or evasion: FOB
 appeasement gift or bribe: SOP
 append: SUBJOIN
 appendix to a will: CODICIL
 appetite so great as to be pathological: BULIMIA
 appetizer in form of alcoholic drink: APERITIF
 appetizer of toast and a spread: CANAPÉ

appetizers: HORS D'OEUVRES
 appetizing, tasty: SAVORY
 applauders hired for the purpose: CLAQUE
 applause: PLAUDIT
 applause outburst: OVATION
 applicable, pertinent: RELEVANT
 appoint or preempt: CO-OPT
 appointment or secret meeting, as of lovers: TRYST
 appointment to meet, meeting place: RENDEZVOUS
 apprehension, doubt, qualm: MISGIVING
 apprentice, beginner: NOVICE
 approach game or prey in a stealthy manner: STALK
 approachable: ACCESS
 appropriate, just right: PAT
 appropriate, applicable: RELEVANT
 appropriate or pirate the ideas, writings, music, etc., of another: PLAGIARIZE
 appropriate or seize beforehand: PREEMPT
 appropriateness, fitness: EXPEDIENCY
 approval: APPROBATION
 approval, support, encouraging look: COUNTEenance
 approve, permit, ratify: SANCTION
 approved status granted an academic institution: ACCREDITATION
 approximately: CIRCA
 apt, well chosen, agreeable in manner or style: FELICITOUS
 Arabian hooded cloak: BURNOOSE
 Arabian kerchief worn over head and shoulders: KAFFIYEH
 Arabian sleeveless garment: ABA
 Arabic or decimal system of counting: ALGORISM
 arbitrary, overbearing: HIGHHANDED
 arbor or walk with a latticework roof: PERGOLA
 arch that is narrow and acutely pointed: LANCET ARCH
 archaeological excavation: DIG
 architectural movement promoting synthesis of painting, sculpture and technology: BAUHAUS
 architectural projecting block: DENTIL
 architecture order of Greece characterized by fluted columns and simple capitals: DORIC
 architecture order of Greece characterized by ornate, bell-shaped capitals: CORINTHIAN
 architecture order of Greece characterized by scrolls on the capitals: IONIC

arctic, frigid: HYPERBOREAN
 ardent, extremely fervid: PERFERVID
 ardent, passionate: TORRID
 ardent, violent, impetuous: VEHEMENT
 ardor, intensity of emotion: FERVOR
 area of authority or competency: BAILIWICK
 arena for horse shows, circuses: HIPPODROME
 arguable, open to question: DISPUTABLE
 argue earnestly or debate: CONTEND
 argue earnestly with someone about the inadvisability of some action: EXPOSTULATE
 argue or contend about trifling matters: STICKLE
 argue or dispute noisily: WRANGLE
 argue or oppose: CONTROVERT
 argue over terms or prices: HIGGLE
 arguer who takes wrong side perversely: DEVIL'S ADVOCATE
 argument: POLEMIC
 argument in which one of the premises or the conclusion is not stated but implied: ENTHYME
 argumentation, debate: FORENSICS
 argumentative: AGONISTIC
 argumentative: ERISTIC
 argumentative, contentious: DISPUTATIOUS
 aristocrat, member of the upper classes: PATRICIAN
 arm or leg stiffness or cramp: CHARLEY HORSE
 aromatic substances in a ball: POMANDER
 around, about, approximately: CIRCA
 arouse anger or bitterness: RANKLE
 arouse interest or curiosity: INTRIGUE
 arouse, startle, thrill: ELECTRIFY
 arousing comment, as a piece of furniture or art: CONVERSATION PIECE
 arrange or organize: COLLOCATE
 arrangement according to time of occurrence: CHRONOLOGY
 arrangement of parts: CONFIGURATION
 arrangement of parts in abnormal or irregular fashion, as parts of the body: HETEROTAXIS
 arrangement of parts that is harmonious and elegant: CONCINITY
 arrangement or plan of a book, TV show, etc.: FORMAT
 arrangement or progression that is orderly or gradual: GRADATION
 arrest made by citizen who sees a crime: CITIZEN'S ARREST

- arrive at or reach a port: **FETCH**
 arrogance arising from overbearing pride or passion: **HUBRIS**
 arrogance or conceit characterizing one's ways or attitudes: **OVERWEENING**
 arrogant: **RODOMONTADE**
 arrogant: **SUPERCILIOUS**
 arrogant, domineering: **IMPERIOUS**
 arrogant, forward: **PRESUMPTUOUS**
 arrogant assertion of beliefs: **DOGMATIC**
 art, music or literature schools that seek to produce moods through quick glimpses of subject: **IMPRESSIONISM**
 art and literary movement that tries to exhibit the workings of the subconscious mind: **SURREALISM**
 art cult that rejected conventions: **DADA**
 art for art's sake: **ARS GRATIA ARTIS**
 art of curvilinear designs, now characterized as campy: **ART NOUVEAU**
 art of everyday realism by U.S. Group: **ASHCAN SCHOOL**
 art of good eating: **GASTRONOMY**
 art or literature of a cheap, popular or sentimental quality: **KITSCH**
 art work painted directly on a wall: **MURAL**
 art work consisting of arrangement of flat materials pasted on a surface: **COLLAGE**
 artery walls thickened: **ATHEROSCLEROSIS**
 artful moves or strokes: **MANEUVERS**
 artful strategy, cunningness, craftiness: **FINESSE**
 article or book presenting facts on a subject: **TREATISE**
 articulate clearly and distinctly: **ENUNCIATE**
 artificial, affected: **FACTITIOUS**
 artificial, counterfeit: **POSTICHE**
 artificial part of body: **PROSTHESIS**
 artificial manner: **AFFECTATION**
 artificially elegant style of speech or writing: **EUPHUISM**
 artillery or cannon, military material: **ORDNANCE**
 artist or writer who doesn't sell his services exclusively to one employer: **FREE LANCE**
 artistic small article: **OBJET D'ART**
 artistically thought-of ordinary object: **OBJET TROUVE**
 artless, candid, sincere: **GUILELESS**
 artless, unaffected, simple, candid: **NAIVE**
 arts movement that departs from reality to reproduce inner experience: **EXPRESSIONISM**
 ash gray: **CINEREOUS**
 ashamed, degraded, sneaky: **HANGDOG**
 aside directed to a person or thing: **APOSTROPHE**
 assistant: **COADJUTOR**
 assistant or attendant: **ACOLYTE**
 ask for humbly, pray earnestly for something: **SUPPLICATE**
 ask questions, examine: **INTERROGATE**
 aspect, phrase or side of a person or subject: **FACET**
 asperion: **SLUR**
 assault from behind with intent to rob: **MUG**
 assembling of separate parts into a whole: **SYNTHESIS**
 assembly place: **AGORA**
 assent: **ACQUIESCENCE**
 assertion of something made by the negation of its opposite: **LITOTES**
 assimilation of thoughts or facts that is gradual: **OSMOSIS**
 assist: **ABET**
 assistance or money furnished to advance a venture: **GRUBSTAKE**
 assistant or servant, as of a magician or scholar: **FAMULUS**
 associate closely with someone: **FRATERNIZE**
 associate on close terms: **HOBNOB**
 association, fellowship: **SODALITY**
 association of individuals to negotiate some business: **SYNDICATE**
 assume as a fact: **POSIT**
 assume to be true: **POSTULATE**
 assumed name or identity: **INCOGNITO**
 assumptions based on evidence at hand or facts already known: **EXTRAPOLATION**
 assumption provisionally accepted as basis for reasoning or argument: **HYPOTHESIS**
 assure, guarantee: **VOUCH**
 astound, confound: **FLABBERGAST**
 astrologers' chart of position of planets and stars for fortune telling: **HOROSCOPE**
 astringent: **ACERB**
 at once, immediate: **INSTANTER**
 at the home of: **CHEZ**
 at this time: **HEREAT**
 athlete's leap over a high horizontal bar

with the aid of a long pole: POLE VAULT
 athletic, sturdy body structure: MESOMORPHIC
 athletic club, gymnast association: TURN-VEREIN
 athletic contest in which each contestant participates in five events: PEN-TATHLON
 athletic contest of ten field and track events in all of which each contestant participates: DECATHLON
 athletically vigorous: STHENIC
 atmosphere beginning at a height of about seven miles: STRATOSPHERE
 atmosphere of a place or situation: AMBIENCE
 atmosphere or influence that is unwholesome or noxious: MIASMA
 atmospheric and weather phenomena, as a science: METEOROLOGY
 atom splitting: NUCLEAR FISSION
 atomic bomb: A-BOMB
 atomic particle carrying a positive charge: PROTON
 atomic particle carrying no charge: NEUTRON
 atone for, make amends for: EXPIATE
 atonement shown for wrongdoing: PENANCE
 atoning: PIACULAR
 atrocious, beyond decency: OUTRAGEOUS
 atrocious, odious, wicked, evil: HEINOUS
 atrocious, wicked: FLAGITIOUS
 attach the property of a person so it can be used to pay a debt: GARNISHEE
 attachment of one thing to another: APPURTENANCE
 attachment to a thing or a person: FIXATION
 attack, dispute or challenge the truth or validity of: IMPUGN
 attack that is swift and sudden, usually in war: BLITZKRIEG
 attack that is violent: ONSLAUGHT
 attack with scathing criticism: FLAY
 attempting: CONATION
 attendant who arranges details of journey for travelers: COURIER
 attendants, retainers or followers in a group: ENTOURAGE
 attendants of a person of rank, escort: RETINUE
 attentive: ASSIDUOUS

attentive to every detail: CIRCUMSPECT
 attitudes and character of a community or individual: ETHOS
 attract, cause or make likely: INVITE
 attractive, pleasing: PREPOSSESSING
 attractive, sweet, engaging: WINSOME
 attractive in a flashy way: MERETRICIOUS
 attractive photographically: PHOTOGENIC
 attribute to another without just reason: ARROGATE
 auction or sale that is public: VENDUE
 audacity, brassiness: CHUTZPAH
 audacity, boldness, impudence: EFFRONTERY
 aura, halo: NIMBUS
 auspices: AEGIS
 auspicious, favorably disposed: PROPITIOUS
 austere: ASTRINGENT
 austere person: ASCETIC
 authenticity lacking: APOCRYPHAL
 authoritative, urgently necessary, unavoidable: IMPERATIVE
 authoritative because of rank or office: EX CATHEDRA
 authority or power that is absolute or supreme: IMPERIUM
 authority shared: COLLEGIALITY
 authorization: FIAT
 authorize, empower: WARRANT
 author's assumed name: NOM DE PLUME
 auto driving contest: RALLY
 automatic, lifeless: MECHANICAL
 automatic response to a stimulus: TROPISM
 automaton, mechanical man: ROBOT
 automobile adjusted or re-equipped for quick starts and high speed: HOT ROD
 automobile engine that works on rotary combustion: WANKEL ENGINE
 automobile of standard make modified for racing: STOCK CAR
 automobile with convertible design but with a rigid top: HARDTOP
 auxiliary: ADMINICLE
 auxiliary: ANCILLARY
 avarice, greed: CUPIDITY
 avenging, punitive: VINDICATORY
 average, moderately good: RESPECTABLE
 avert or prevent: OBVIATE
 avoid, turn aside, ward off: PARRY
 avoid or escape: ELUDE
 avoid or outwit: CIRCUMVENT
 avoidable: EVITABLE
 away from the center: CENTRIFUGAL

awesome, ominous: PORTENTOUS
awesome or fearsome: FORMIDABLE
awesome or imposing: AUGUST
awaiting, until: PENDING
awkward: UNGAINLY
awkward, askew, awry: SPLAY
awkward, boorish: UNCOUTH
awkward, clumsy: GAUCHE
awkward, incompetent, clumsy: INEPT
awkward, slouching movement: LOP

awkward fellow, clown, boor: LOUT
awkward or complicated situation, predicament: PLIGHT
awkward or inexperienced person on board a ship: LANDLUBBER
awkward rustic: BUMPKIN
ax- or hatchet-shaped: DOLABRIFORM
axiomatic, terse, pithy: SENTENTIOUS
axis common to loudspeakers or transmission lines: COAXIAL

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baby delivery by abdominal surgery:
 CAESAREAN SECTION
 baby delivery, childbirth: PARTURITION
 back country, remote area, inland region:
 HINTERLAND
 back of horse, ox or deer, between
 shoulder blades: WITHERS
 back of the neck: NAPE
 back out of an agreement, revoke: RENEGE
 backbone creatures: VERTEBRATES
 backer of a cause: PROPONENT
 backward looking, turning or bending:
 RETROVERSION
 backward movement: RECOIL
 backward movement, reversion: REGRES-
 SION
 backward moving, tending to recede: RE-
 CESSIVE
 backward reading of a word or sentence is
 the same as forward reading: PALIN-
 DROME
 backward reasoning, from consequence to
 antecedent, considered a logical falla-
 cy: HYSTERON PROTERON
 backward tending, worsening, declining:
 RETROGRADE
 backward writing that is readable in a mir-
 ror: MIRROR WRITING
 bacon or pork slice used for larding meat:
 LARDON
 bad, evil, repulsive: VILE
 bad breath: HALITOSIS
 bad check: KITE
 bad handwriting or spelling: CACOGRAPHY
 bad in a conspicuous fashion, glaring, fla-
 grant: EGREGIOUS
 bad job: BOTCH
 bad luck: AMBSACE
 bad money drives out good: GRESHAM'S
 LAW
 bad morally: UNSAVORY

badge or sign of devotion consisting of
 two small pieces of cloth worn about
 the neck by members of religious or-
 ders: SCAPULAR
 bad-tempered: ATRABILIOUS
 bad-tempered: CANTANKEROUS
 bad-tempered, spiteful: SPLENETIC
 bad-tempered outburst: TANTRUM
 bag of perfumed powder: SACHET
 bag used by sailors for carrying personal
 belongings: DITTY BAG
 bag worn strapped across the shoulders
 used for carrying supplies: KNAPSACK
 bag worn over one shoulder: HAVERSACK
 baggage, supplies and equipment carried
 by an army: IMPEDIMENTA
 bagpipe's shrill sound: SKIRL
 bait, allurement, enticement: GUDGEON
 balance: EQUILIBRIUM
 balance, counteract or compensate for
 something else: OFFSET
 balance or counterbalance: EQUIPON-
 DERATE
 balcony, window or porch with an ex-
 cellent view, in Spanish architecture:
 MIRADOR
 baldness: ALOPECIA
 baldness, especially on top of the head:
 CALVITIES
 balk, move restlessly sidewise or back-
 ward: JIB
 balky, fretful, jittery: RESTIVE
 ball game in which players hit a ball
 against a wall by striking it with their
 hands: HANDBALL
 ball of small size: PELLET
 ballet dancer, female: BALLERINA
 ballet dancer, male: DANSEUR
 ballet dancer who performs only in
 groups: FIGURANT
 ballet dancer who ranks between the so-

loists and the corps de ballet: CORY-PHEE
 ballet dancer's whirling on the toes: PIR-OUETTE
 ballet dancing position on tiptoe: POINTE
 ballet leap upward with dancer activating legs in air: ENTRECHAT
 ballet's principal female dancer: PRIMA BALLERINA
 ballet's principal male dancer: PREMIER DANSEUR or DANSEUR NOBLE
 ball's horizontal twist or spin: ENGLISH
 ban or curse: ANATHEMA
 banal, trite, commonplace remark: PLATITUDE
 band or group: COHORT
 bandage, bound with a band: FASCIATE
 bandage used to compress an artery to stop the flow of blood: TOURNIQUET
 banish, exile: RELEGATE
 bankrupt, insufficient funds: INSOLVENT
 banned, forbidden: TABOO
 banner fixed to a crosspiece rather than a pole: GONFALON
 banter: CHAFF
 banter, flippant talk or writing: PERSIFLAGE
 banter, jesting: RAILLERY
 bar, upright and forming the principal support: STANCHION
 bar serving food and drink: BRASSERIE
 bar used to prevent a vehicle from slipping backward on an incline: SPRAG
 barefooted, as certain religious orders: DISCALCED
 barely begun: INCHOATE
 bargain, at a good bargain: A BON MARCHÉ
 bargain or argue about terms: HAGGLE
 baring parts of the body for sexual stimulation of oneself: EXHIBITIONISM
 bark or yelp: YAWP
 barrel maker: COOPER
 barrel stave: LAG
 barren, bleak: STARK
 barren, fruitless, sterile: INFECUND
 barren, insipid, dry, lacking interest, naive: JEJUNE
 barren, said of cows infertile for a period: FARROW
 barren, unfruitful: STERILE
 barren or weak: EFFETE
 barrier made up of strong stakes: PALISADE
 barrier to keep out disease: CORDON SANITAIRES
 base, degraded, vile: SORDID
 base, dishonorable, degraded: IGNOBLE

base, weak, wretched: CAITIFF
 base something on known facts or conditions: PREDICATE
 baseball home run hit when there is a runner on every base: GRAND SLAM
 baseball pitcher strikes out a batter: FAN
 baseball pitcher who replaces another: RELIEFER or RELIEVER
 baseball barely deflected by the bat: FOUL TIP
 baseball decision by a player to try to put out man already on base rather than the batter: FIELDER'S CHOICE
 baseball diamond space within the four base lines: INFIELD
 baseball fly hit in fielding practice by a batsman who tosses the ball up and strikes it as it descends: FUNGO
 baseball hard hit so that it travels in an approximately horizontal trajectory: LINE DRIVE
 baseball hit on which the batter reaches third base: TRIPLE
 baseball hit that allows the batter to touch all bases and score a run: HOME RUN or HOMER
 baseball infielder stationed between second and third bases: SHORTSTOP
 baseball out made when a runner, forced from his base by a teammate's hitting the ball, fails to reach the next base before the ball is caught there: FORCE-OUT
 baseball pitch by a right-hander that curves right or by a left-hander that curves left: SCREWBALL
 baseball pitch that curves only slightly: SLIDER
 baseball pitch that curves sharply downward as it approaches home plate: SINKER
 baseball pitch that the catcher cannot handle, thereby allowing a runner to advance: WILD PITCH
 baseball play in which a man on base starts running with the pitch and the batter is obligated to strike at the ball to protect him: HIT-AND-RUN PLAY
 baseball play in which a runner is caught off base by a sudden throw: PICKOFF
 baseball play in which the batter tries to bunt the ball to allow a man on third to score: SQUEEZE PLAY
 baseball play in which three players are put out: TRIPLE PLAY

baseball play in which two players are put out: DOUBLE PLAY
 baseball player able to bat both left-handed and right-handed: SWITCH HITTER
 baseball player who is used as a substitute in different positions: UTILITY PLAYER
 baseball retirement of a batter with three strikes: STRIKEOUT
 baseball slang for a long hit: CLOUT
 baseball term for catching fly balls in practice: SHAGGING
 baseball term for division of the game during which each team has a turn at bat: INNING
 baseball term for fly ball or bunt that results in an out, but enables a base runner to advance: SACRIFICE
 baseball term for fly ball that falls between the infield and the outfield for a base hit: TEXAS LEAGUER
 baseball term for hit ball that rolls or bounces along the ground: GROUND BALL or GROUNDER
 baseball term for hitting the ball lightly without swinging the bat: BUNT
 baseball term for lefthanded pitcher: SOUTHPAW
 baseball term for illegal pitched ball, that is wetted on one side with saliva: SPITBALL
 baseball term for not swinging at a pitched ball: TAKE
 baseball term for pitcher's illegal motion: BALK
 baseball term for play in which a base runner trapped between two bases is put out: RUNDOWN
 baseball term for obscure minor league: BUSH LEAGUE
 baseball term for pen where pitchers warm up: BULLPEN
 baseball term for catcher's error in failing to catch a pitch, thus allowing man on base to advance: PASSED BALL
 baseball term for weakly hit ball: BLOOPER
 baseless: UNFOUNDED
 baseness, vileness, depravity: TURPITUDE
 basic: ABECEDARIAN
 basic, inherent in, fundamental: ORGANIC
 basic unity in ecology, including both organisms and environment: ECOSYSTEM
 basis, fundamental principle: HYPOSTASIS

basis for a discussion or conclusion: PREMISE
 basket, usually large and covered: HAMPER
 basket of fruit done in sculpture: CORBEIL
 basketball free throw: FOUL SHOT
 basketball moved by bouncing it with the hand: DRIBBLE
 basketball shot made with one hand from close to the basket: LAYUP
 basketball shot made by a player in the air during a jump: JUMP SHOT
 bath: ABLUTION
 bathing suit for women that is brief and two-piece: BIKINI
 batter cake that is crisp and baked in a griddle: WAFFLE
 battle formation: DEPLOYMENT
 battle that is great or decisive: ARMAGEDDON
 battle-ax with two sharp edges: TWIBIL
 bawl, shout, exclaim loudly: VOCIFERATE
 bay or stream leading into the land from a larger body of water: INLET
 bay window: ORIEL
 beach bathhouse: CABANA
 beam going from wall to wall: CROSSBEAM
 beam resting horizontally upon the walls of a building and supporting the ends of joists: SUMMER
 beam-emitting device that amplifies and concentrates light waves: LASER
 beams placed parallel and horizontally from wall to wall: JOISTS
 bearable: TOLERABLE
 beard on the chin: GOATEE
 beard that is short and pointed: VANDYKE
 beastlike in form: THERIOMORPHIC
 beat, cudgel: FUSTIGATE
 beat, overcome: DRUB
 beat, thrash severely or punish: TROUNCE
 beat at which the hand of the conductor is raised: UPBEAT
 beat rapidly, flutter, quiver: PALPITATE
 beat soundly: BELABOR
 beat with the fists: PUMMEL
 beating with a stick: BASTINADO
 beautiful buttocks: CALLIPYGIAN
 beauty: PULCHRITUDE
 beauty, as a subject of study: ESTHETICS
 because of this: HEREAT
 become known, leak out: TRANSPIRE
 become or make better: AMELIORATE
 becoming sour: ASCESCENT
 bed, grade, layer: STRATUM
 bed cover that is quilted: COMFORTER

bed of straw that lies on the floor: PALLET
 bedridden the person is not: AMBULATORY
 bedsore: DECUBITUS
 bedspread or quilt: COUNTERPANE
 bed-wetting: ENURESIS
 beef cattle male: STEER
 beef cut from the loin end ahead of the rump: SIRLOIN
 beef marinated in vinegar before cooking: SAUERBRATEN
 beef tenderloin, lean and thick, broiled: FILET MIGNON
 beehive, especially one made of straw: SKEP
 beehives: APIARY
 beer or ale and ginger ale mixed: SHANDYGAFF
 before noon: ANTEMERIDIEM
 before now, previously: HERETOFORE
 before the Flood: ANTEDILUVIAN
 beforehand opinion: PRECONCEIVE
 beg: CADGE
 beg something of: SUPPLICATE
 beg urgently, entreat: IMPLORE
 beget, produce: PROCREATE
 beggar or sponger: SCHNORRER
 begging: MENDICANT
 begin, commence: INAUGURATE
 begin, commence, originate: INITIATE
 beginner: ABECEDARIAN
 beginner: FLEDGLING
 beginner, apprentice: NOVICE
 beginner, recent convert: NEOPHYTE
 beginner, novice: TYRO
 beginning, commencement: CONCEPTION
 beginning, start: INCEPTION
 beginning a series of lines or sentences with same word or phrase: ANAPHORA
 beginning affixed to a word: PREFIX
 beginning to appear, coming into existence: INCIPIENT
 beginnings, earliest stages of development: INCUNABULA
 behave (oneself): DEMEAN
 behavior or deportment: DEMEANOR
 behavior that is seemly and proper: DECOROUS
 behead: DECAPITATE
 behind: BUTTOCKS
 behind: DERRIÈRE
 behind, after, later: POSTERIOR
 behold: VOILA
 being, objective existence of something in the mind, actual being: ENTITY

belch: ERUCT
 belief, doctrine or principle maintained as true by a person or a group: TENET
 belief in a god: THEISM
 belief in one god without denying the existence of others: HENOTHEISM
 belief in something with too little evidence: CREDULITY
 belief or opinion contrary to established doctrine: HERESY
 beliefs or opinions held to be true and necessary: DOGMA
 believability: CREDIBILITY
 believable, apparently true but open to doubt: PLAUSIBLE
 belittle: DISPARAGE
 belittle, detract: DEROGATE
 belittle: DEPRECIATE
 belittle, put down: DISPARAGE
 belittle, speak disparagingly: POOH-POOH
 bell casting and ringing: CAMPANOLOGY
 bell ringing variations: CHANGE RINGING
 bell rung at morning, noon and night: ANGELUS
 bell shaped woman's hat: CLOCHE
 bell signal, alarm: TOCSIN
 bell sounded slowly and at regular intervals: TOLLING
 bell tolling, especially one announcing a death: KNELL
 bell tower, especially one that is not part of a building: CAMPANILE
 belligerent's right to use or destroy neutral's property: ANGRY
 bells ringing: TINTINNABULATION
 bells rung by hammers operated from a keyboard: CARILLON
 belly, big and prominent: PAUNCH
 belly button: NAVEL
 belly button: UMBILICUS
 belt buckle's tongue-like part: TANG
 belt or cord put around the waist: CINCTURE
 bench, upholstered and without arms: BANQUETTE
 benches without roof at sporting event: BLEACHERS
 bend, contort, twist: WRITHE
 bend, curve in and out: SINUATE
 bend, misrepresent, twist: DISTORT
 bend the knee, as in worship: GENUFLECT
 bendable, flexible: PLIABLE
 bending, curved or bent part: FLECTION
 bending easily, graceful, limber: LITHE

bending of light or heat ray as it moves from one medium to another: REFRACTION
 bending or winding, unsteady, wavering: FLEXUOUS
 beneath, below: NETHER
 beneath one's dignity: INFRA DIG
 beneficial: SALUTARY
 beneficiary or recipient of a legacy: LEGATEE
 benefit owed because of status: PERQUISITE
 bent backward: RETROFLEX
 bent like a hook: UNCINATE
 berate, upbraid, scold severely: OBJURGATE
 beseeching: SUPPLIANT
 beset by a difficult situation: HARDESET
 beset or surround: BELEAGUER
 beside the (real) point: ACCIDENTAL
 bespangled with fine stars: STELLULAR
 best, most distinguished: ELITE
 best in given field: ARISTOCRACY
 best moment, most critical time: PSYCHOLOGICAL MOMENT
 best quality, highest priced: GILT-EDGED
 bestow, make known, disclose: IMPART
 bet on races in which those backing winners share in the total wagered: PARIMUTUEL
 betrayal: SELLOUT
 betterment: MELIORATION
 betterment of the world: MELIORISM
 betting on a choice that has little chance of winning: LONG SHOT
 betting on winners in two races: DAILY DOUBLE
 betting the winnings of a previous race on a later one: PARLAY
 between: INTERVENING
 between acts: ENTR'ACTE
 between the devil and the deep blue sea: DILEMMA
 between the lines: INTERLINEAR
 bevel a surface: CHAMFER
 bewilder, amaze, stun: STUPEFY
 bewilder, dumbfound, perplex: NONPLUS
 bewilder, muddle, obscure: OBFUSCATE
 bewildered: BEMUSED
 bewildered, tense, worried, agitated, crazed: DISTRAUGHT
 bewildered, uncertain, puzzled: PERPLEXED
 beyond the lawful powers of, forbidden: ULTRA VIRES

beyond words: INEFFABLE
 bias, prejudice: PRECONCEPTION
 bias or partiality preconceived: PREDILECTION
 biased: TENDENTIOUS
 biased, favoring one party, prejudiced: PARTIAL
 biblical interpretation: HERMENEUTICS
 bids entered simultaneously for the same stock are resolved by a flip of a coin: MATCHED AND LOST
 big belly: PAUNCH
 Big Board: NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
 big toe: HALLUX
 bigoted, narrow-minded, obstinate: HIDE-BOUND
 bigotry: INTOLERANCE
 big, thick-skinned animals with hooves: PACHYDERMS
 biggest portion (originally the whole thing): LION'S SHARE
 bill for merchandise sent or services rendered: INVOICE
 billiard ball caused to recoil after impact: DRAW
 billiard shot in which the ball first strikes the cushion: BRICOLE
 billiard shot in which the cue ball strikes two others in succession: CAROM
 billiard stroke in which the cue is held perpendicularly: MASSÉ
 bind one's arm to render helpless: PINION
 biological classification that is a subdivision of a genus: SPECIES
 biological deterioration of a strain or type, especially of man: DYSGENIC
 bird cage, usually large: AVIARY
 bird group terms and terms for young—see "creature terms"
 bird study: ORNITHOLOGY
 bird's rump or part that holds the tail feathers: UROPYGIUM
 birth, buttocks first: BREECH DELIVERY
 birth by abdominal surgery: CAESAREAN SECTION
 birth control governing the number and spacing of offspring: PLANNED PARENTHOOD
 birthmark: NEVUS
 biscuit baked on a griddle and served with butter: SCONE
 biscuit for army and navy use that is hard and crackerlike: HARDTACK
 bishop who acts as assistant or auxiliary to another bishop: SUFFRAGAN

- bishopric, bishops collectively: EPISCOPATE
 bishop's geographical area of jurisdiction: DIOCESE
 bit, scrap: SNIPPET
 biting: ASTRINGENT
 biting, caustic: PUNGENT
 biting, sarcastic: CAUSTIC
 biting, sharp, keen: INCISIVE
 biting taste, manner, speech, nature: ACRID
 bitter: ACERB
 bitter: ACRIMONIOUS
 bitter, rancorous: VIRULENT
 bitter taste, manner, speech, nature: ACRID
 bitterness: ASPERITY
 bizarre, fantastic: GROTESQUE
 black: JET
 black alloy used in cut-in decorations in metal: NIELLO
 black and blue: LIVID
 black and blue mark, bruise: ECCHYMOSIS
 black and white, light and shade: CHIAROSCURO
 black letter type: OLD ENGLISH
 black magic, fortune telling, sorcery: NECROMANCY
 blacken, disparage, defame: DENIGRATE
 blackness, darkness: NIGRESCENCE
 blacks in America of African descent: AFRO-AMERICAN
 blacksmith's workshop: SMITHY
 bladder examination: CYSTOSCOPY
 bladder inflammation: CYSTITIS
 blame: CENSURE
 blame, charge with fault: INCULPATE
 blame, criticize, find fault with: REPREHEND
 blame, reprove, censure: REPROACH
 blame, rebuke, disapproval: REPROOF
 blame is mine: MEA CULPA
 blamed person to whom mistakes of others are attributed: SCAPEGOAT
 blameless: IRREPROACHABLE
 blameless, faultless: UNIMPEACHABLE
 blameworthy: CULPABLE
 bland, dull, tasteless, flat: INSIPID
 blank, gap: LACUNA
 blank, fixed, uncomprehending: GLASSY
 blank check: CARTE BLANCHE
 blank leaf at beginning or end of a book: FLYLEAF
 blasphemous: IMPIOUS
 bleach or dry in the sun: INSOLATE
 bleak, barren: STARK
 bleeding condition caused by absence of a clotting factor: HEMOPHILIA
 bleeding in large quantities: HEMORRHAGE
 blemish or stain: MACULATION
 blend: AMALGAM
 blend, combine: INTERLACE
 blend and reconcile, as various philosophies: SYNCRETIZE
 blend or fuse together: COALESCE
 blending of two vowels generally pronounced separately: SYNERESIS
 blending together as of variant readings of a text: CONFLATION
 blessing: BENEDICTION
 blind alley: CUL DE SAC
 blind persons, printing method for: BRAILLE
 blindly devoted: IDOLATROUS
 blindness or impaired vision for blue and yellow: TRITANOPIA
 bliss, release from care and pain: NIRVANA
 blister-producing: VESICANT
 blind spot: SCOTOMA
 block, hinder, stop, impede: OBSTRUCT
 block, shut or close off: OCCLUDE
 block or obstruct: STYMIE
 block or stone on which a column or statue stands: PLINTH
 block that projects (architecture): DENTIL
 blockhead: CLODPATE, CLODPOLL
 blockhead: JACKASS
 blockhead, stupid person: DOLT
 blood clot in the heart or blood vessel: THROMBOSIS
 blood clotting: COAGULATION
 blood infection: SEPTICEMIA
 blood poisoning: TOXEMIA
 blood relationship: CONSANGUINITY
 bloody: SANGUINARY
 bloody slaughter: CARNAGE
 blossom, bloom forth, flower: EFFLORESCE
 blossoming: FLORESCENCE
 blossoming, late: SEROTINOUS
 blotch, spot, streak: MOTTLE
 blouselike garment gathered at the waist: TUNIC
 blow in puffs: WHIFFLE
 blow to back of the neck in boxing: RABBIT PUNCH
 blue: RISQUÉ
 blue appearance of skin, due to lack of oxygen in blood: CYANOSIS
 blue blindness: TRITANOPIA
 blundering, clumsy: MALADROIT
 blunt, direct: POINT-BLANK

blunt, dull, insensible: OBTUSE
 blurred piece of print, blemish or spot:
 MACKLE
 blurring or softening colors or lines in a
 painting or drawing: SCUMBLE
 bluster or bragging talk: GASCONADE
 board with handle underneath used to hold
 plaster or mortar: HAWK
 boards arranged for nailing together into
 barrels or boxes: SHOOK
 boaster: GASCON
 boastful, bragging: RODOMONTADE
 boastful defiance: BRAVADO
 boastful or bullying speech: FAN-
 FARONADE
 boastfully vain: VAINGLORIOUS
 boasting soldier: SWASHBUCKLER
 boasting that is ostentatious: JACTITATION
 boasting that is pretentious: BRAGGADOCIO
 boat, flat-bottomed with battened sails,
 used by Chinese: JUNK
 boat, narrow and light, for racing: SCULL
 boat basin for pleasure craft: MARINA
 boat for fishing: SMACK
 boat framework that extends beyond the
 rail: OUTRIGGER
 boat or ship term for upper edge of craft's
 side: GUNWALE, GUNNEL
 boat race or series of boat races: REGATTA
 boat, small and flat-bottomed, used along the
 rivers and coasts of China and Japan:
 SAMPAN
 boat that drags a net across a fishing bank:
 TRAWLER
 boat that services another at sea: TENDER
 bodily attributes or elements: CORPORAL,
 CORPOREAL
 bodily disorders caused by mental or emo-
 tional conditions: PSYCHOSOMATIC
 bodily pleasures or place that provides
 them: FLESHPOT
 bodily processes that continuously build
 up and break down protoplasm: ME-
 TABOLISM
 body, as distinguished from the soul: SO-
 MATIC
 body, having preoccupation with: CARNAL
 body of men summoned to assist a peace
 officer: POSSE
 body stealer: RESURRECTIONIST
 bog, marsh: MORASS
 bog, swamp, backwater: SLOUGH
 bog down, sink in mud: MIRE
 boil down, condense: DECOCT
 boil gently: SIMMER

boil partly: PARBOIL
 boiling, agitated condition: CALDRON
 boisterous, unruly: OBSTREPEROUS
 bold, dauntless, fearless: INTREPID
 bold, indecent, self-assertive: IMMODEST
 bold, saucy, brazen, shameless: IMPUDENT
 boldness, audacity, impudence: EFFRON-
 TERY
 boldness, daring, audacity: HARDIHOOD
 bomb or grenade consisting of a bottle
 containing flammable liquid: MOLO-
 TOV COCKTAIL
 bomb that explodes into jagged pieces:
 FRAGMENTATION BOMB
 bombastic: TUMID
 bombastic, high-flown: INFLATED
 bombastic, grandiloquent: TURGID
 bombastic, pompous: GRANDILOQUENT
 bombastic, ornate, florid, showy: FLAM-
 BOYANT
 bombastic, pretentious: FUSTIAN
 bond, connection, link: NEXUS
 bond, tie that connects: LIGAMENT
 bond often lacking a specific pledge of as-
 sets: DEBENTURE
 bond issue that may be redeemed by
 issuer before maturity: CALLABLE
 bond issued by a company with a reputa-
 tion for showing a profit: GILT-EDGED
 bond not having owner's name registered
 with issuing company and payable to
 any holder of the bond: BEARER BOND
 bond of union: VINCULUM
 bond on which principal and interest are
 guaranteed by a company other than
 the issuer of the bond: GUARANTEED
 BOND
 bond value, as it appears on the security:
 FACE VALUE
 bone and muscle branch of surgery: OR-
 THOPEDICS
 bone at lower end of spine: COCCYX
 bone-forming process: OSSIFICATION
 bones united by muscles: SYSSARCOSIS
 book bound in paper rather than cloth or
 leather: PAPERBACK
 book bound in stiff cover as distinguished
 from paperback: HARD-COVER BOOK
 book carrying various versions of a text:
 VARIORUM
 book containing rules of spelling, punctu-
 ation, typography, used by editors:
 STYLEBOOK
 book cover lining, especially when it is
 ornamental: DOUBLURE

book installment prior to publication: FASCICLE
 book jacket matter that touts the volume: BLURB
 book lover and collector: BIBLIOPHILE
 book of daily prayers and offices for canonical house: BREVIARY
 book or article on a single subject: MONOGRAPH
 book or list of lessons for church service: LECTONARY
 book or Bible peddler: COLPORTEUR
 bookbinding leather: SKIVER
 bookbinding style characterized by gilded ornamentation: GROLIER
 bookbinding with leather on the spine and corners and cloth or paper on the sides: HALF BINDING
 bookmaker's advantage in the betting odds he creates: VIGORISH
 bookplate, from the library of: EX LIBRIS
 books of an author or on a given subject listed: BIBLIOGRAPHY
 books or other writings on unusual topics, often pornography: CURIOSA
 books printed before 1500 A.D.: INCUNABULA
 boor, clown, awkward fellow: LOUT
 boorish: UNCOUTH
 boot covering the leg to the knee in front, but cut lower in back: WELLINGTON BOOT
 boot of sealskin or reindeer skin worn by Eskimos: MUKLUK
 booth, newsstand, bandstand usually lightly constructed and open: KIOSK
 booty, loot: PILLAGE
 booty, money: PELF
 booty, stolen goods, etc.: PLUNDER
 border on: ABUT
 border or contrasting edge: LIMBUS
 bore or displeasure: PALL
 bored, dull, or depressed state of mind: DOLDRUMS
 boredom, discontent or weariness: ENNUI
 boring, tedious: WEARISOME
 boring, wearisome: TEDIOUS
 born of the same parents as another: GERMAN
 born out of wedlock: MISBEGOTTEN
 born with: INHERENT
 borrower's property or securities pledged to insure repayment of a loan: COLLATERAL
 borrowing stock expected to decline in

order to sell it at a higher price: SHORT SALE
 botany as a descriptive study: PHYTOGRAPHY
 botch a job: BUNGLER
 both hands used equally well: AMBIDEXTROUS
 both sexes united in one person: ANDROGYNOUS
 bother, disturb: INCOMMODE
 bother, fluster, fuss: POTHER
 bother, inconvenience, trouble: DISCOMMODE
 bottle for vinegar or oil: CRUET
 bottle of glass that is decorative and used for wine: DECANTER
 bounce, jolt, shake up and down: JOUNCE
 bound or consecrated by vow or promise: VOTARY
 bound with a band, bandage: FASCIATE
 boundary, restriction: PALE
 boundary between the shore and the ocean: STRAND LINE
 boundary line of a figure or area: PERIMETER
 bountiful, lavish, generous: MUNIFICENT
 bow decoration on a ship: FIDDLEHEAD
 bow decoration on a ship in the form of a carved figure: FIGUREHEAD
 bow of a stringed instrument made to rebound slightly: SPICCATO
 bowel stimulant, cathartic: PURGATIVE
 box with feinting movements and light blows: SPAR
 boxer belonging to lightest weight class, weighing 112 pounds or less: FLYWEIGHT
 boxer weighing up to 126 pounds or a wrestler up to 134 pounds: FEATHERWEIGHT
 boxer or wrestler weighing between 127 and 135 pounds: LIGHTWEIGHT
 boxer or wrestler weighing between 136 and 147 pounds: WELTERWEIGHT
 boxer or wrestler weighing between 147 and 160 pounds: MIDDLEWEIGHT
 boxer or wrestler weighing between 161 and 175 pounds: LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT
 boxer or wrestler weighing over 175 pounds: HEAVYWEIGHT
 boxer's deformed ear: CAULIFLOWER EAR
 boxing: PUGILISM
 boxing and matters pertaining to boxing: FISTIC

boxing term for a victory in a fight halted by the referee: TECHNICAL KNOCK-OUT
 boxing victory based on points when there has been no knockout: DECISION
 boy used in sodomy: CATAMITE
 brag about: VAUNT
 bragging, blustering: RODOMONTADE
 bragging, boastful: THRASONICAL
 bragging talk or bluster: GASCONADE
 braid: PLAIT
 braid that is narrow and flat, woven in a herringbone effect: SOUTACHE
 brain examination that traces changes in electric potential: ELECTROENCEPHALOGRAPH (EEG)
 brain inflammation: ENCEPHALITIS
 brain-lacking: ANENCEPHALOUS
 brains, intellect: GRAY MATTER
 brake in which friction pads press on disc that is part of wheel: DISC BRAKE
 branch, offshoot: RAMIFICATION
 branch or spread out, diverge: DIVARICATE
 branched: RAMOSE
 brand new, original condition, unused: MINT CONDITION
 brave, staunch: YEOMANLY
 brave, steadfast: UNFLINCHING
 brave, strong, determined: STALWART
 brave, warlike, disciplined: SPARTAN
 bravery pretended: BRAVADO
 brawl: AFFRAY
 brawl, fight, conflict, uproar: FRAY
 brawl marked by roughness, free-for-all: DONNYBROOK
 brazen, shameless, bold, saucy: IMPUDENT
 brazen audacity: CHUTZPAH
 brazenly display or parade: FLAUNT
 bread, usually braided, eaten by Jews on holiday: HALLAH or CHALLAH
 bread made of cornmeal, eggs, milk and shortening, baked soft enough to be served with a spoon: SPOON BREAD
 bread that is baked yellow then sliced and toasted: ZWIEBACK
 break, as in electric service: OUTAGE
 break, tear apart forcibly: REND
 break apart: RUPTURE
 break away, separate from: DISSOCIATE
 break of a relationship: RIFT
 break in continuity: INTERREGNUM
 break in continuity to give an episode occurring earlier: FLASHBACK
 break off from an association, or separate from an association: DISSOCIATE

break off relations with: DISAFFILIATE
 break or pause in a line of verse: CAESURA
 break or split, especially in layer: SPALL
 break out or erupt afresh: RECRUDESCENCE
 break up a group into small dissenting factions: BALKANIZE
 break up or separate into parts, analyze: RESOLVE
 breakable, brittle, fragile: FRANGIBLE
 breakdown or collapse that is sudden and ruinous: DEBACLE
 breakfast, late, or luncheon: DÉJEUNER
 breaking of a law or a pledge: INFRACTION
 breaking off in the middle of a sentence without completing the idea: APOSIO-PESIS
 breaking or rushing in: IRRUPTION
 breast of a woman: POITRINE
 breast or chest: PECTORAL
 breast removal surgery: MASTECTOMY
 breast separation line in a woman: CLEAVAGE
 breathe: RESPIRE
 breathe noisily, as a dog following a scent: SNUFFLE
 breathe or blow into or upon: INSUFFLATE
 breathing difficulty caused by swelling in some parts of the body: EMPHYSEMA
 breathing that is labored: DYSPNEA
 breeches loose above the knees, tight below: JODHPURS
 breed, multiply by natural reproduction: PROPAGATE
 breed rapidly, swarm, teem: PULLULATE
 breeding of special races or strains of animals and plants: STIRPICULTURE
 brewing process of fermentation, as a branch of chemistry: ZYMURGY
 bribe or procure one to commit perjury: SUBORN
 bribe or something given as appeasement: SOP
 bribery acceptable, corrupt: VENAL
 brick that is sun dried: ADOBE
 bride's outfit: TROUSSEAU
 bridge bid that exceeds the preceding bid by more than the minimum: JUMP BID
 bridge hand with no card higher than nine: YARBOROUGH
 bridge victory consisting of the winning of all thirteen tricks in a round of play: GRAND SLAM
 bridgeline framework for holding the rails of a traveling crane: GANTRY

brief, concise, terse: **LACONIC**
 brief and meaningful, terse, concise: **SUC-
CINCT**
 brief general view of a work: **SYNOPSIS**
 bright, brilliant: **INCANDESCENT**
 bright, intense, clear: **VIVID**
 bright, rational, clear, easily understood:
LUCID
 bright idea: **BRAINSTORM**
 brighten by rubbing: **FURBISH**
 brilliance, radiance, splendor: **RE-
FULGENCE**
 brilliance of action or effect: **ECLAT**
 brilliant, ostentatious oratory: **PYROTECH-
NICS**
 brilliant, speedy, dazzling: **METEORIC**
 brilliant in a light and playful fashion:
LAMBENT
 brilliant or dashing performance: **BRAVURA**
 brilliantly wise or intelligent: **LUMINOUS**
 brim in front of a cap to shade the eyes:
VISOR
 brine for pickling: **SOUSE**
 bring about, accomplish: **EFFECT**
 bring forth, originate: **SPAWN**
 bring on oneself: **INCUR**
 bring something about quickly: **PRECIPI-
TATE**
 bring together: **RALLY**
 bring up or train: **NURTURE**
 bring up partly digested food: **REGURGI-
TATE**
 brisk, cheerful: **CHIPPER**
 brisk, dashing, self-confident, stylish,
 lively: **JAUNTY**
 briskly, lively, quickly, in music: **VIVACE**
 bristly: **SETACEOUS**
 bristly or spiny: **ECHINATE**
 British Parliament member who is not a
 party leader: **BACKBENCHER**
 British record of proceedings in Parlia-
 ment: **HANSARD**
 broad in tastes or understanding: **CATHO-
LIC**
 broad jump: **LONG JUMP**
 broadcaster who coordinates reports: **AN-
CHOR MAN**
 broadheaded: **BRACHYCEPHALIC**
 broadside or leaflet distributed free:
THROWAWAY
 broken, incomplete: **FRAGMENTARY**
 broken bit of earthenware: **POTSHERD**
 broken down: **DILAPIDATED**
 broken down, decrepit: **FLEA-BITTEN**
 broken-hearted: **INCONSOLABLE**

broken off piece: **CANTLE**
 broken piece of pottery: **SHARD**
 broken up into incidents, disjointed: **EPI-
SODIC**
 broker holding securities in his own name
 rather than in the name of his cus-
 tomer: **STREET NAME**
 brokerage house that is fraudulent:
BUCKET SHOP
 brokers' broker: **SPECIALIST**
 brokers on the floor of the stock exchange
 handling transactions for other bro-
 kers: **TWO-DOLLAR BROKER**
 bromide, trite expression: **CLICHÉ**
 bronze or silver gilt: **VERMEIL**
 brook or creek: **ARROYO**
 brothel: **BORDELLO**
 brothers or sisters: **SIBLINGS**
 browbeat, bully, cow: **INTIMIDATE**
 browbeat, torment, rant, bully, bluster:
HECTOR
 brown paper used for bags and wrapping:
KRAFT
 brown or reddish brown pigment or pic-
 tures done in this pigment: **SEPIA**
 bruise by blow or impact: **CONTUSE**
 bruise or black-and-blue mark: **ECCHY-
MOSIS**
 Brussels resident: **BRUXELLOIS**
 brutish, stupid, foolish, unmoved: **INSEN-
SATE**
 bubble, ripple, heave: **POPPLE**
 bubbling over with enthusiasm or excite-
 ment: **EBULLIENT**
 Buddhist concept of birth-death-rebirth
 cycle: **SAMSA RA**
 Buenos Aires native: **PORTENO**
 buffet meal consisting of Scandinavian
 hors d'oeuvres: **SMORGASBORD**
 buffet or sideboard, usually without legs:
CREDENZA
 buffoon, clown: **MERRY ANDREW**
 bugle call in the military indicating good
 night or marking a military burial:
TAPS
 build up something with parts taken from
 other things: **CANNIBALIZE**
 building construction as an art or science:
TECTONICS
 building of many stories: **HIGH-RISE**
 bulging: **PROTUBERANT**
 bulky, lumbering: **PONDEROUS**
 bulky, of great volume: **VOLUMINOUS**
 bulletin board for actors in a theater:
CALLBOARD

bullets, missiles, rockets, etc., science of:
 BALLISTICS
 bullfight: CORRIDA
 bullfight horseman who pricks the bull's
 neck with a lance: PICADOR
 bullfighter who kills the bull: MATADOR
 bullish, like a bull: TAURINE
 bully, browbeat, torment: HECTOR
 bully, cow, browbeat: INTIMIDATE
 bulwark, fortification: RAMPART
 bump, strike against: JAR
 bump or lump, protuberance: KNURL
 bun or knot of hair at the back of the
 head, worn by women: CHIGNON
 bungled action: MUFF
 bungling, clumsy, or domineering:
 HEAVY-HANDED
 bungling, inept person: SCHLEMIEL
 buoyancy, elasticity: RESILIENCE
 buoyant, optimistic, cheerful: SANGUINE
 burden: MILLSTONE
 burden, discouraging or oppressive thing:
 INCUBUS
 burdens, drawbacks: IMPEDIMENTA
 burdensome: ONEROUS
 bureau of drawers, often with a mirror:
 CHIFFONIER
 burglar's crowbar: JIMMY
 burial mound: TUMULUS
 burial vault: SEPULCHER
 burlesque imitation of a serious literary or
 musical work: PARODY
 burlesque or imitation that is grotesque:
 TRAVESTY
 burlesque rigmarole: AMPHIGORY
 burn quickly with great heat and light:
 DEFLAGRATE
 burn the midnight oil in writing or study-
 ing: LUCUBRATE
 burn tissue: CAUTERIZE
 burn up, cremate: INCINERATE
 burning, caustic: VITRIOLIC

burning fiercely: CONFLAGRANT
 bursting or breaking in: IRRUPTION
 bury, inter: INHUME
 business that may hire nonunion workers,
 who are required to become union
 members by a specified time: UNION
 SHOP
 businessman who assumes full control and
 risk of an enterprise: ENTREPRENEUR
 bustle, excitement, fluster: POTHER
 bustle about, rush pell-mell: HURRY-
 SCURRY
 busybody: QUIDNUNC
 butterfly or moth: LEPIDOPTERAN
 buttocks: DERRIÈRE
 buttocks: FUNDAMENT
 buttocks: NATES
 buttocks that are fat, especially in women:
 STEATOPYGIA
 buttress joined to a wall some distance
 away: FLYING BUTTRESS
 buy or sell order for securities good only
 for the day on which it is entered:
 DAY ORDER
 buy up goods for reselling at a profit:
 FORESTALL
 buy up with the aim of selling at a higher
 price: REGRATE
 buyer beware: CAVEAT EMPTOR
 buying and selling the same stock simulta-
 neously in two different cities to real-
 ize a profit: ARBITRAGE
 buying and selling volume of stocks rela-
 tively low: THIN MARKET
 buying or selling sacred things: SIMONY
 buying securities at stated intervals by the
 dollars' worth: MONTHLY INVEST-
 MENT PLAN
 by the very fact: IPSO FACTO
 by-product, new application, incidental re-
 sult: SPIN-OFF



cabal: CAMARILLA
cabal, intriguing group: JUNTA
cable, wire or rope used to steady or secure something: GUY
cable or rope for mooring or towing: HAWSER
cafe or restaurant that provides entertainment: CABARET
cage, usually large, for live birds: AVIARY
Cairo (Egypt) resident: CAIRENE
cajole: BLANDISH
cake, small and made of unsweetened batter: CRUMPET
cake made of butter and eggs, with fruit or nuts added: TORTE
cake made of sugar, eggs, and flour, containing no shortening and beaten very light: SPONGE CAKE
calamity: CATASTROPHE
calculating device with counters moving up and down on rods: ABACUS
calculator of risks and premiums for insurance: ACTUARY
calendar used in most of the world: GREGORIAN CALENDAR
California gold miner: ARGONAUT
calfskin or lambskin that is untanned: KIP
call, summon or draw forth: EVOKE
call in question, dispute, challenge: OP-PUGN
call or whistle derisively: CATCALL
call to troops for service, review, etc.: MUSTER
call together, as a meeting: CONVOKE
call upon for aid, protection, witness: IN-VOKE
callow, immature, but opinionated: SOPHOMORIC
calm: DISPASSIONATE
calm, peaceful, tranquil: PLACID
calm down, quiet, abate: SUBSIDE

calm, quiet, serene: TRANQUIL
calm, serene, idyllic: HALCYON
calm, serene, unmoved: IMPASSIVE
calm, unruffled: IMPERTURBABLE
calm, untroubled, tranquil: SERENE
calmness, composure, even-temper: EQUANIMITY
Cambridge (Mass.) resident: CANTABRIDGIAN
Cambridge (U.K.) resident: CANTABRIGIAN
camel with one hump: DROMEDARY
camera lens that records 180-degree field of vision: FISH-EYE LENS
camp, temporary, usually without shelter: BIVOUAC
can or cup that is small: CANNIKIN
cancel, recall, rescind, annul: REVOKE
cancer of the blood: LEUKEMIA
cancer-causing substance: CARCINOGEN
cancerous growth: CARCINOMA
candelabrum with seven branches used in the Jewish religion: MENORAH
candid, sincere, artless: GUILLESS
candidate almost unknown who wins a nomination or election: DARK HORSE
candidate list: SLATE
candidate put forward as a cover for another person: STALKING HORSE
candied or sugared, iced, frozen: GLACÉ
candlemaker: CHANDLER
candlestick that is branched: CANDELABRUM
candlestick that is branched, rotating firework: GIRANDOLE
canine tooth: CUSPID
cannibals: ANTHROPOPHAGI
cannon or artillery, military materiel: ORDNANCE
cannon with a relatively high angle of fire: HOWITZER

canoe that is covered except for an opening for the paddler: KAYAK
 canopy or large tent, summerhouse: PAVILION
 canopy over a pulpit or bed: TESTER
 canopy used in religious processions: BALDACHIN
 cant, lingo: JARGON
 cantankerous: CROTCHETY
 canvas sheet stretched on a frame and used for acrobatics: TRAMPOLINE
 cap, flat and round: BERET
 cap cover with long rear flap: HAVELOCK
 cap of felt with a tassel, worn by Moslem men: TARBOOSH
 cap that is square and stiff and worn by clergy: BIRETTA
 capable of working, as a plan; able to live: VIABLE
 caper, antic: DIDO
 caper, antic: GAMBADO
 caper, prance about: TITTUP
 capital letters in type: UPPER CASE
 capital that is hardly adequate used in starting a business: SHOESTRING
 caprice, whim, fanciful humor: WHIMSY
 capricious, willful: WAYWARD
 caption or explanatory description on an illustration, chart or map: LEGEND
 capture or seize: CORRAL
 Caracas resident: CARAQUENO
 card game called twenty-one: VINGT-ET-UN
 card game series in which the series is terminated when one side has won two games: RUBBER
 card game state in which a winner has made more than double his opponent: LURCH
 card game that breaks a tie between players: RUBBER
 card of a suit that outranks other suits during the playing of a hand: TRUMP
 cards left on the table after the deal: TALON
 carefree: FOOTLOOSE
 carefree, light-hearted, gay: ROLICKING
 carefree, unconcerned, lighthearted: INSouciant
 carefree, worry-free: SANS SOUCI
 carefree existence, drink and play: BEER AND SKITTLES
 careful, checking every detail: CIRCUMSPECT
 careful, frugal, cautious: CHARY

careful, scrupulous observance of forms: PUNCTILIOUS
 careful, wise: JUDICIOUS
 careful about what one says, prudent, tactful: DISCREET
 careful and diligent: PAINSTAKING
 carefully, cautiously: GINGERLY
 carefully and delicately made: WROUGHT
 careless, reckless: DEVIL-MAY-CARE
 careless, reckless, weak: FECKLESS
 careless, negligent: REMISS
 careless or untidy person: SLOVEN
 carelessly done: SLIPSHOD
 caress or touch lightly as with the lips or make gentle contact, as two billiard balls: KISS
 cargo cast overboard by an imperiled ship: JETSAM
 carp or raise trivial objections: CAVIL
 carpet of velvety texture: WILTON
 carriage with hood and with high seat for horse driver: CABRIOLET
 carried away by foolish love: INFATUATED
 carrier of microorganisms: VECTOR
 carry away wrongfully: ABDUCT
 carry, haul, drag: SCHLEP
 carry or move gently, float: WAFT
 carry through, put into effect: IMPLEMENT
 carry through or accomplish something: TRANSACT
 carve, engrave, cut into: INCISE
 carved design beneath the surface: INTAGLIO
 carved ivory, stone, or shells: SCRIMSHAW
 carving or engraving, especially on gems: GLYPTICS
 case or example: INSTANCE
 cash in a prize coupon, etc.: REDEEM
 cash lacking: ILLIQUID
 cash payment that must be made by customer when he uses his broker's credit for purchase of a security: MARGIN
 cask holding half a barrel: KILDERKIN
 cassock worn by Roman Catholic priest: SOUTANE
 cast off, as dead skin: SLOUGH
 cast off or discard a previously favored sweetheart: JILT
 cast out an evil spirit by prayers or incantations: EXORCISE
 cast out matter or refuse as from a volcano: EJECTA
 casting or molding of footprints, etc., for

- use in criminal investigation: **MOULAGE**
- castle-like in structure: **CASTELLATED**
- castrate, geld, weaken, make effeminate: **EMASCULATE**
- castrated animal, especially a horse: **GELDING**
- castrated man or youth: **EUNUCH**
- castrated rooster: **CAPON**
- casual, indiscriminate, especially sexually: **PROMISCUOUS**
- casual, minor, secondary: **INCIDENTAL**
- casualties sorted to fix priorities for treatment: **TRIAGE**
- cat, particularly an old female one: **GRI-MALKIN**
- cat family: **FELINE**
- catch up with or get ahead of, as a ship: **FOREREACH**
- catching: **INFECTIOUS**
- Catholic Church list of forbidden books: **INDEX EXPURGATORIUS**
- catlike cry, long and plaintive cry: **WAUL**
- cat's eye: **CHATOYANT**
- Catskill and White Mountain hotels that provide entertainment: **BORSCHT CIRCUIT**
- cattle food: **PROVENDER**
- cattle herder: **COWBOY, COWHAND, COW-PUNCHER**
- cattle movement to more suitable pastures: **TRANSHUMANCE**
- caught in the act: **IN FLAGRANTE DELICTO**
- caught in the act: **RED-HANDED**
- cause, bring about: **INDUCE**
- cause a result creditable or discreditable: **REDOUND**
- cause and effect theory in philosophy, especially of human behavior: **DETERMINISM**
- cause or make likely, attract: **INVITE**
- cause something abruptly or unexpectedly: **PRECIPITATE**
- cause that produces a result: **FACTOR**
- cause to effect, prior to: **A PRIORI**
- causes and origins as subjects of study: **ETIOLOGY**
- caustic: **ACRIMONIOUS**
- caustic, biting: **PUNGENT**
- caustic, burning: **VITRIOLIC**
- caustic, cutting, sarcastic: **MORDANT**
- caustic, mercilessly severe, withering: **SCATHING**
- cautious: **WARY**
- cautious, frugal, careful: **CHARY**
- cautious, moderate, opposed to change: **CONSERVATIVE**
- cautious checking of every detail: **CIRCUMSPECT**
- cautiously, carefully: **GINGERLY**
- cautiously shrewd: **CANNY**
- cave explorer: **SPELUNKER**
- cave formation, cone-shaped, that is built up on the floor: **STALAGMITE**
- cave formation, long and tapering, that hangs from the roof: **STALACTITE**
- cave man: **TROGLODYTE**
- cave or fall in, sink, collapse, fail: **FOUNDER**
- caves, as a subject of study: **SPELEOLOGY**
- cavities in the skull leading into nasal cavities: **SINUSES**
- cease-fire, armistice: **TRUCE**
- ceiling decorated with a painted or carved design: **PLAFOND**
- celebrate, make merry, delight (in): **REVEL**
- celebrity, fame: **REOWN**
- celestial, heavenly: **SUPERNAL**
- celestial, sublime, superior, fiery: **EM-PYREAL**
- cellar or underground shelter used during cyclones or tornadoes: **CYCLONE CELLAR**
- cells; study of their structure, organization and function: **CYTOLOGY**
- cement or plaster used to surface walls: **STUCCO**
- cemetery for paupers: **POTTER'S FIELD**
- censor by deleting offensive passages: **BOWDLERIZE**
- censor by removing obscene or otherwise objectionable material: **EXPURGATE**
- censorship that is exaggerated: **COM-STOCKERY**
- censure, blame, rebuke: **REPROACH**
- censure, scold, reproach: **UPBRAID**
- censure or rebuke severely: **REPRIMAND**
- censure vehemently: **INVEIGH**
- center in common: **CONCENTRIC**
- center of attraction: **CYNOSURE**
- centerless: **ACENTRIC**
- central essential element, core: **NUCLEUS**
- central point, hub, navel: **OMPHALOS**
- century, era, period: **SIÈCLE**
- century and a half: **SESQUICENTENNIAL**
- century's end, especially the end of the 19th century; also decadence: **FIN DE SIÈCLE**
- ceremonial procession: **CORTEGE**
- ceremonial washing of hands: **ABLUTION**

ceremonies commemorating the founding of a city or university or the consecration of a church: ENCAENIA
 ceremony that is pretentious or hypocritical: MUMMERY
 certain: APODICTIC
 certain: COCKSURE
 certain, accurate: UNERRING
 certain, unavoidable: INEVITABLE
 certain, unquestionable: INDUBITABLE
 certainly, without doubt: SANS DOUTE
 certificate acknowledging debt: DEBENTURE
 certificate entitling the holder to receive shares of stock, money, etc.: SCRIP
 chain hanging from woman's belt to hold keys or purse: CHATELAINE
 chain of colored paper, ribbon or flowers hung in loops: FESTOON
 chain or closely connected series: CATENA
 chain of things or events: CONCATENATION
 chair of wood, with spindle back and slanting legs: WINDSOR CHAIR
 chair with high back and side pieces: WING CHAIR
 challenge: THROW DOWN THE GAUNTLET
 challenge, dispute or attack the truth or validity of: IMPUGN
 challenge the honesty or validity of: IMPEACH
 chamberpot in a low chair or cabinet: COMMODE
 chance occurrence: HAPPENSTANCE
 change appearance of: TRANSFIGURE
 change form or quality: TRANSMUTE
 change in the form, character or appearance: METAMORPHOSIS
 change in vowel for changed tense, etc.: ABLAUT
 change into a different shape: TRANSFIGURE
 change one substance into another: TRANSUBSTANTIATE
 change opinion completely: ABOUT-FACE
 change or movement that is constant: FLUX
 change or vary often and in irregular manner: FLUCTUATE
 change personal convictions by coercion: BRAINWASH
 change places, alternate: INTERCHANGE
 change plans of someone by persuasion: DISSUADE
 change sides, apostatize: TERGIVERSATE
 changeable: AMBIVALENT

changeable, erratic: INCONSISTENT
 changeable, fickle: MUTABLE
 changeable, inconstant: FICKLE
 changeable, lively, clever: MERCURIAL
 changeable, unstable: LABILE
 changeable into different forms or shapes: PROTEAN
 changeable luster: CHATOYANT
 changeable person: CHAMELEON
 changes in price that can be absorbed by the market in a particular security: LIQUIDITY
 changes in series of plant or animal formations: SERE
 changes or variations occurring irregularly, as of fortune: VICISSITUDES
 changing rapidly and intricately: KALEIDOSCOPIC
 channel for water, as under a road: CULVERT
 chant: INTONE
 chanted, nonmetrical hymn: CANTICLE
 chanted formula or magic words: INCANTATION
 chapel for private prayer: ORATORY
 character, mark or stamp that is distinctive: IMPRESS
 character and attitudes of a community or individual: ETHOS
 characterization, often disparaging, of a person or thing: EPITHET
 characterless: INVERTEBRATE
 characterless, not distinctive: NON-DESCRIPT
 charcoal pencil or a sketch or drawing done in charcoal: FUSAIN
 charge a public official with a crime or misdemeanor: IMPEACH
 charge with a crime, accuse: INDICT
 charge, fixed, that is added to bill at cabarets, hotels, clubs for entertainment or service: COVER CHARGE
 charged, filled: FRAUGHT
 charging of a wrongdoing or fault, accusation: IMPUTATION
 charity, alms: ELEEMOSYNARY
 charity case, a very poor person: PAUPER
 charity to aid mankind: PHILANTHROPY
 charlatan, vendor of quack medicines: MOUNTEBANK
 charlatanism: SCIOLOGISM
 charm: AMULET
 charm: ENAMOR
 charm as if by magic: BEWITCH
 charm or amulet: TALISMAN

charm or divert: BEGUILE
 charm or talisman: GRIGRI
 chart containing lines representing changes in value: GRAPH
 chary, stingy, economical: SPARE
 chasm or fissure, as in a glacier: CREVASSE
 chastise or rebuke severely: CASTIGATE
 chat, talk idly: SCHMOOZE
 chat or gossip: CONFABULATE
 chat or informal conversation: CAUSERIE
 chatter, talk senselessly: PRATE
 chauvinist: JINGO
 cheap, flashy dress or ornamentation: FRIPPERY
 cheap, poor quality: SCHLOCK
 cheap, sensational talk: CLAPTRAP
 cheap, shoddy, poorly made: SLEAZY
 cheap, trashy, measly: CHINTZY
 cheap and showy: BRASSY
 cheap and showy: TAWDRY
 cheap and showy, designed merely to sell: CATCHPENNY
 cheap red wine: VIN ORDINAIRE
 cheat: BAMBOOZLE
 cheat, dawdle, or pass time: DIDDLE
 cheat, outwit: EUCHRE
 cheat, swindle: ROOK
 cheat, trick: HOODWINK
 cheat, trick, deceive: FINAGLE
 cheat a stranger: BUNCO
 cheat or deceive in a petty way: COZEN
 cheat or extort: GOUGE
 cheat or defraud a person: MULCT
 cheated or fooled easily: GULLIBLE
 cheater, quibbler: PETTIFOGGER
 check or restrain, as an impulse: INHIBIT
 check or stop the flow of: STANCH
 check stub, or stub of money order kept as record: COUNTERFOIL
 checked or plaid pattern of dark lines on a light ground: TATTERSALL
 cheerful: BLITHE
 cheerful: BUOYANT
 cheerful, brisk: CHIPPER
 cheerful, buoyant, optimistic: SANGUINE
 cheerful, gay: JOCUND
 cheerful, lively, urbane: DEBONAIR
 cheerful, optimistic: ROSEATE
 cheerful willingness: ALACRITY
 cheese and crumbs crust: AU GRATIN
 cheese, melted and cooked, often with beer or ale added, and served on toast or crackers: WELSH RABBIT
 cheese, Italian, that is hard and is sprinkled on spaghetti or soup: PARMESAN

chess term for a draw resulting when a player can make no move without placing his king in check: STALEMATE
 chest of drawers, high and often with a mirror: CHIFFONIER
 chest of drawers, on short legs, about table height: LOWBOY
 chest of drawers, usually in two sections, the lower on legs: HIGHBOY
 chew noisily or munch: CHAMP
 chewy, as spaghetti: AL DENTE
 chewing food thoroughly as an aid to good health: FLETCHERISM
 chicken, few months old: SPRING CHICKEN
 chicken and leeks soup: COCK-A-LEEKIE
 chicken pox: VARICELLA
 chicken stewed in wine: COQ AU VIN
 chicken stewed Italian style: CHICKEN CACCIATORE
 chief commodity of a place or region: STAPLE
 chief of a political party: SACHEM
 chief or leader: COCK OF THE WALK
 child murder: INFANTICIDE
 child murder by a parent: FILICIDE
 child prodigy: WUNDERKIND
 child with extraordinary talent: PRODIGY
 child who because of neglect spends his time in the streets: GUTTERSNIPE
 childbirth, delivery: PARTURITION
 childbirth pangs: TRAVAIL
 childbirth ritual among primitive people in which father of newly born goes through motions as if he had given birth: COUVADE
 childish, trivial, silly: PUERILE
 childish talk: PRATTLE
 children's diseases and hygienic care, as a study: PEDIATRICS
 child's relation to parents: FILIAL
 chilling: FRIGORIFIC
 china or porcelain that is very thin and delicate: EGGSHELL CHINA
 Chinese use of needles in medical practice: ACUPUNCTURE
 chivalry: KNIGHT-ERRANTRY
 chuckles of glee: CHORTLE
 church architecture and decoration: EC-CLESIOLOGY
 church area behind the altar: RETROCHOIR
 church area under jurisdiction of a bishop: DIOCESE
 church rule by prelates: PRELACY
 churchman of high rank: PRELATE
 choice: OPTION

choice, excellence or exceptional quality:

VINTAGE

choice must be made between two equally undesirable alternatives: DILEMMA

choice of what is offered or nothing:

HOBSON'S CHOICE

choke to death: STRANGLE

choose, elect: OPT

choose with care: HAND PICK

chord's notes played in quick succession:

ARPEGGIO

Christmas display of stable, scene of Jesus' birth: CRÈCHE

chronology as estimated by growth rings on trees: DENDROCHRONOLOGY

cigar, long and slim: PANATELA

cigar, long, slender and inexpensive:

STOGIE

cigar, strong and dark: MADURO

cigar, tapering at both ends: PERFECTO

cigar, cut square at both ends: CHEROOT

circle boundary: CIRCUMFERENCE

circle or persons having an interest or interests in common: COTERIE

circle with locked arms formed by dancers in this Rumanian and Israeli folk dance: HORA

circle's circumference in relation to its diameter: PI

circling back to the original problem results after its solution raises other problems: VICIOUS CIRCLE

circular, revolving or whirling motion:

GYRAL

circular graph divided into proportionate sections: PIE CHART

circulate, permeate: DIFFUSE

circumference, especially the waist: GIRTH

circumlocution, wordiness: PERIPHRASIS

cite for proof or example: ADDUCE

citizenship bestowal, freeing from slavery:

ENFRANCHISEMENT

city area where vice and corruption flourish: TENDERLOIN

civic or a town resident: OPPIDAN

civil liberties advocate: LIBERTARIAN

civil magistrate or officer representing a government: SYNDIC

civilian clothes, especially those worn by one who usually wears a uniform:

MUFTI

civilians arming spontaneously in times of military emergency: LEVY EN MASSE

civilities: AMENITIES

civility: COMITY

claim, require: POSTULATE

claim on property in payment of or as security for a debt: LIEN

claim without right: ARROGATE

clairvoyance, telepathy: CRYPTESTHESIA

clam: QUAHOG

clam of the littleneck variety only larger:

CHERRYSTONE

clam that is the young of the quahog: LIT-
TLENECK

clannish set: CLIQUE

clarify, enlighten, illuminate, light up:

IRRADIATE

clarify, explain: INTERPRET

clarinet's lowest register: CHALUMEAU

class, sort, kind: ILK

class or group in society: CASTE

classic, venerable, time-honored: VINTAGE

classification laws and principles: TAX-
ONOMY

clattering or rattling noise: BRATTLE

clauses in a sentence without connectives
between them: PARATAXIS

claw, hoof, nail: UNGUIS

clay pottery: CERAMICS

clean, correct, flawless: IMMACULATE

clean slate: TABULA RASA

clear of blame or accusation, acquit: EX-
ONERATE

cleanse or wipe off: DETERGE

cleansing agent: ABLUENT

clear, bright, intense: VIVID

clear, comprehensible: INTELLIGIBLE

clear, definite, straightforward, outspoken:

EXPLICIT

clear, easily understood, rational, bright,
shining: LUCID

clear, lucid, understandable: PERSPICUOUS

clear, rounded, full voice: OROTUND

clear, transparent, lucid, pure: LIMPID

clear, understandable: PELLUCID

clear, understandable in one way only:

UNEQUIVOCAL

clear and resounding: CLARION

clear of accusation: VINDICATE

clear the throat audibly: HAWK

clearing area in a fog bank: FOGDOG or
SEADOG

clearing in the woods: GLADE

clergyman's salary paid out of church rev-
enues: PREBEND

clerical cap that is square and stiff:

BIRETTA

clerical garb that is loose and white and
has wide sleeves: SURPLICE

clerical or professional worker: WHITE COLLAR
 clever, skillful, inventive: INGENIOUS
 clever man, thinker: SOPHIST
 clever remark: BON MOT
 cliché: BROMIDE
 clicking pieces for keeping time to music, especially Spanish: CASTANETS
 cliff at the rim of a plateau: SCARP
 cliff on the side of a hill: SCAR
 cliff projecting into the water: HEADLAND
 cliff that extends a distance: PALISADES
 cliff's edge, dangerous situation: PRECIPICE
 climax: APOGEE
 climax in coitus: ORGASM
 climb, as a tree, by clasping it with the arms and legs: SWARM
 clinging, retentive: TENACIOUS
 clinging closely: OSCULANT
 clique: CAMARILLA
 clique or group: FACTION
 close association, confidential friendship: INTIMACY
 close but not touching: CONTIGUOUS
 close off, block or shut up: OCCLUDE
 close one's eyes to something as if it had not happened: CONDONE
 close one's eyes to wrongdoing: CONNIVE
 close quarters, close contact: HAND-TO-HAND
 close together, jammed: CHOCKABLOCK
 closed or secret session: IN CAMERA
 closed session to consider confidential business: EXECUTIVE SESSION
 closed to others' opinions or beliefs: INTOLERANT
 closed to outside influence, incapable of being passed through: IMPERVIOUS
 closemouthed, reserved: TACITURN
 closeness: PROPINQUITY
 clot formation causing dead tissue: INFARCTION
 cloth containing an intricate design that usually includes loops ending in curlicues: PAISLEY
 cloth laid on the lap of a bishop officiating at a mass or ordination: GREMIAL
 cloth of yellowish brown: KHAKI
 clothe richly: CAPARISON
 clothed negligently or partly: DISHABILLE
 cloud formation, dense, usually white, with domed top and horizontal base, seen in fair weather: CUMULUS

cloud of rounded mass appearing before a thunderstorm: THUNDERHEAD
 cloud streamers, or wisps of precipitation: VIRGA
 cloud study, as a branch of meteorology: NEPHOLOGY
 clouds, long and fibrous, supposed to foretell a storm: MARE'S TAIL
 clouds in a fine, whitish veil, giving a hazy appearance: CIRROSTRATUS
 clouds in a mass of fleecy globular cloudlets: CIRROCUMULUS
 clouds in large globular masses, disposed in waves, groups or bands: STRATOCUMULUS
 clouds in a white wispy tufts or bands across the sky: CIRRUS
 cloudy: TURBID
 cloudy, foggy, obscure, indefinite: NUBILOUS
 cloudy or overcast: LOWERY
 clown, buffoon MERRY ANDREW
 cloying, oversweet or rich: LUSCIOUS
 clumsily done: BOTCHED
 clumsy, awkward, heavy in appearance or movement: LUMBERING
 clumsy, awkward, incompetent: INEPT
 clumsy, blundering: MALADROIT
 clumsy, boorish, awkward: GAUCHE
 clumsy, bungling, or domineering: HEAVY-HANDED
 clumsy, labored: PONDEROUS
 clumsy, lacking skill: INAPT
 clumsy, stupid person: CLODHOPPER
 clumsy in handling things: BUTTERFINGERS
 clumsy job: BUNGLE
 clumsy rustic: BUMPKIN
 clump along pompously: GALUMPH
 clump or tuft, as of grass or hair: TUSSOCK
 coal mining by stripping off soil rather than sinking a shaft: STRIP MINING
 coarse, abusive in language: SCURRILOUS
 coarse, loud, rough in sound: RAUCOUS
 coarse, unrefined, natural: EARTHY
 coarse food: ROUGHAGE
 coarsely or vulgarly joking: RIBALD
 coat lapel: REVERS
 coat of which the sleeves are in one piece up to the collar: RAGLAN
 coat or covering, as of a seed: TEGMEN
 coats of arms, genealogies, etc.: HERALDRY
 coax or flatter to persuade: WHEEDLE
 coax with flattery: CAJOLE

cock less than a year old: COCKEREL
 coddle: COCKER
 coddle or pamper: COSHER
 code deciphering: CRYPTANALYSIS
 coded writing: CRYPTOGRAPHY
 codfish that is young: SCROD
 coercion, compulsion: DURESS
 coercive measures taken to force a country
 to comply with demands: SANCTIONS
 coffee, black: CAFE NOIR
 coffee, small cup of: DEMITASSE
 coffee or coffee-flavored: MOCHA
 coffee with milk: CAFE AU LAIT
 coffin of stone: SARCOPHAGUS
 coffin-supporting framework: CATA-
 FALQUE
 coherence lacking: DISJOINTED
 coiled: TORTILE
 coiled spirally: HELICOID
 coin a word: MINT
 coin or medal space for date, place of
 coining, etc.: EXERGUE
 coined money: SPECIE
 coins, medals, etc., as a study: NUMIS-
 MATICS
 cold in the head: CORYZA
 cold sore: HERPES LABIALIS
 coil up intricately: CONVOLUTE
 coincidence: CONJUNCTION
 collapse, fail, sink: FOUNDER
 collapse inward violently: IMplode
 collar or cord used in executions: GAR-
 ROTE
 colleague or fellow member: CONFRERE
 collect, gather or store as in a granary:
 GARNER
 collect, incorporate, make part of a whole:
 EMBODY
 collected excerpts from literary works:
 ANALECTS
 collection during a religious ceremony:
 OFFERTORY
 collection of choice extracts for instruction
 in a language: CHRESTOMATHY
 collection of poems, stories, etc.: AN-
 THOLOGY
 collection of things, mass, heap:
 CONGERIES
 collection of works and roles of a perform-
 ance or company: REPERTORY
 collection or cluster that is heterogeneous:
 CONGLOMERATE
 collective farm in Soviet Union: KOLKHOZ
 collective farm or settlement in Israel:
 KIBBUTZ

collector or connoisseur of works of art:
 VIRTUOSO
 college enrollment: MATRICULATION
 color blindness: ACHROMATOPSIA
 color blindness: DALTONISM
 color blindness to one of the three primary
 colors: DICHROMATIC
 color or tint uniform throughout:
 ISOCHROOUS
 color slightly: TINGE
 color study: CHROMATICS
 colored differently in different parts: PAR-
 TICOLORED
 coloring matter: PIGMENT
 colorless, pale: PALLID
 colors changing in different lights: VER-
 SICOLOR
 colors of the rainbow in shifting hues and
 patterns: IRIDESCENCE
 column in form of a female figure:
 CARYATID
 columns that are regularly spaced: COL-
 ONNADE
 collusion in a lawsuit to get share of mat-
 ter sued for: CHAMPERTY
 combative: PUGNACIOUS
 combination of circumstances of events:
 CONJUNCTURE
 combination of two or more substances:
 AMALGAM
 combine, blend and reconcile, as various
 philosophies: SYNCRETIZE
 combustible substance that will ignite with
 a spark: TINDER
 come forth into the open, emerge: DE-
 BOUCH
 come between, especially as a barrier: IN-
 TERPOSE
 come into office or dignity: ACCEDE
 come into view or appear as through a
 mist often ominously: LOOM
 comedian who is the star: TOP BANANA
 comedy that is broad or exaggerated:
 FARCE
 comedy that is loud and crude: SLAPSTICK
 comfort in grief: SOLACE
 comic antics: HARLEQUINADE
 coming from without, unrelated to the
 matter at hand: EXTRANEIOUS
 coming in continually as of people or
 things: INFLUX
 coming into a country not one's own: IM-
 MIGRANT
 coming into existence, beginning to ap-
 pear: INCIPIENT

coming together, or a crowd: CONCOURSE
 command, order, forbid: ENJOIN
 command level: ECHELON
 commandeer a plane in transit: HIJACK
 commence, begin: INAUGURATE
 commence, originate, begin: INITIATE
 commencement headgear with a flat,
 square top: MORTARBOARD
 commendation: PLAUDIT
 commendatory: LAUDATORY
 comment that is not binding, a remark
 made in passing: OBITER DICTUM
 comment-arousing object: CONVERSATION
 PIECE
 commentary, explanatory note: GLOSS
 commerce, communication, exchange:
 INTERCOURSE
 commissions and other costs of distribu-
 tion included in the price paid by the
 purchaser of securities: LOAD
 commit or do something, as a crime or
 hoax: PERPETRATE
 committee consisting of all members of a
 legislative body: COMMITTEE OF THE
 WHOLE
 committee formed for specific purpose: AD
 HOC COMMITTEE
 common, vulgar: PLEBEIAN
 common, widely practiced: PREVALENT
 common people, masses: HOI POLLOI
 common people, pertaining to: DEMOTIC
 common people's language: VULGAR
 common rather than literary language:
 VERNACULAR
 common run, ordinary people: RUCK
 common sense: MOTHER WIT
 common stock earnings as affected by
 bond interest and preferred stock div-
 idends: LEVERAGE
 common to the masses: VULGAR
 commonplace: TOLERABLE
 commonplace, banal, trite remark: PLATI-
 TUDE
 commonplace, basic: BREAD-AND-BUTTER
 commonplace, dull: STODGY
 commonplace, ordinary, simple: EXOTERIC
 commonplace, trite idea or expression:
 CLICHÉ
 commonplace, trite statement: PLATITUDE
 commonplace, uninspired, unimaginative:
 PROSAIC
 commotion: TURBULENCE
 commotion, fluster, bustle: POTTER
 communication, exchange, commerce:
 INTERCOURSE

communication of minds in other than
 normal sensory means: TELEPATHY
 communication system for immediate,
 direct exchange in an emergency:
 HOT LINE
 communication system that is secret and
 usually person to person: GRAPEVINE
 Communist emblem: HAMMER AND SICKLE
 compact, agreement, pledge: COVENANT
 companionship: SODALITY
 company that uses its capital to invest in
 other companies: INVESTMENT TRUST
 compare critically, as writings or facts:
 COLLATE
 comparison implied in a figure of speech:
 METAPHOR
 compatible, congenial: SIMPATICO
 compel or force to go: HALE
 compelling, fascinating: IRRESISTIBLE
 compensate, make up, offset: COUNTER-
 VAIL
 compensate, pay back: REIMBURSE
 compensate, pay for: REMUNERATE
 compensate, repay in kind: REQUITE
 compensate, right a wrong: REDRESS
 compensate for or counteract something
 else: OFFSET
 compensation for injury to the feelings:
 SOLATIUM
 compensation for loss or damage, exemp-
 tion from penalties or liabilities: IN-
 DEMNITY
 compete: VIE
 competent legally to take care of one's
 own affairs: SUI JURIS
 competition or rivalry: CONTENTION
 competitive: EMULOUS
 complacent, self-satisfied: SMUG
 complain: CARP
 complain, find fault: CRAB
 complain, fret: REPINE
 complaining, whining: QUERULOUS
 complaint, grievance: PLAINT
 complaint receiver in government, con-
 sumer organizations, etc.: OMBUDS-
 MAN
 complement or mate to another: COUN-
 TERPART
 complete, absolute: UNMITIGATED
 complete, absolute, full: PLENARY
 complete, entire: INTEGRAL
 complete confidence: CERTITUDE
 completely organized and active: FULL-
 FLEDGED
 completeness: INTEGRITY

complex, subtle, highly intellectual:
METAPHYSICAL
compliant, manageable: TRACTABLE
complicate, confuse, entangle: EMBRAN-
GLE
complicate, disconcert, hamper: EMBAR-
RASS
complicated, involved, puzzling: IN-
TRICATE
complicated or confused state of affairs:
IMBROGLIO
complicated or refined in design: SOPHIS-
TICATED
complicated situation, predicament:
PLIGHT
complication, intertwining, entanglement:
INVOLUTION
comply, either in fact or only apparently:
TEMPORIZE
comport (oneself): DEMEAN
compose or write out: REDACT
composure, coolness: SANG-FROID
composure, even-temper, calmness:
EQUANIMITY
composure, serenity, self-assurance:
POISE
comprehension or awareness independent
of the senses: ESP (EXTRASENSORY
PERCEPTION)
compressed: ANGSTATE
compulsive, excessive preoccupation with
a thought or feeling: OBSESSION
compulsory service: CONSCRIPTION
computer design and apparatus: HARD-
WARE
computer information delivered in printed
form: PRINTOUT
computer information that is fed into the
apparatus: INPUT
computers and human nervous system
under study: CYBERNETICS
conceal, pretend, dissemble: DISSIMULATE
conceal, disguise, feign, make a false
show of: DISSEMBLE
concealed: ABSTRUSE
concealed, secret or sheltered: COVERT
concealing language: AESOPIAN LAN-
GUAGE
concealment by a public official of an of-
fense or crime, or wrongdoing by
such an official: MISPRISION
concealment of one's real activities or de-
signs: COVER-UP
conceit, egotism: EGO
conceit or arrogance characterizing a per-

son's ways of attitudes: OVERWEEN-
ING
conceited, arrogant: BUMPTIOUS
conceited, boastful: VAINGLORIOUS
concentration of psychic energy upon a
person, idea, fantasy: CATHEXIS
concerned: SOLICITOUS
concerning, in the matter of: IN RE
conciliate, win over: PROPITIATE
conciliate opposing sides: MEDIATE
concise: TERSE
concise, terse, brief: LACONIC
concise, terse, meaningful: SUCCINCT
concise summary or abstract: PRECIS
conclude or accept from evidence: INFER
conclude or suppose from incomplete evi-
dence: CONJECTURE
conclusion in a sentence that emerges
from the PROTASIS, or condition:
APODOSIS
concretize, make real: REIFY
concurrent: SIMULTANEOUS
condemn: CENSURE
condemn, prohibit, outlaw: PROSCRIBE
condemn or denounce: DECRY
condense: ABBREVIATE
condense: ABRIDGE
condense, boil down: DECOCT
condescend: DEIGN
condescend to, grant or permit: VOUCH-
SAFE
condition existing at a particular time:
STATUS QUO
condition or stipulation: PROVISIO
condition set forth in a clause that leads to
APODOSIS, or conclusion: PROTASIS
conditional transaction authorized for
when, as and if a security is issued:
WHEN ISSUED
cone or pyramid with top sliced off: FUL-
STRUM
conference: POWWOW
conference of opposing sides, talk: PAR-
LEY
conference or conversation that is formally
arranged: COLLOQUY
confidence lacking, timidity, shyness:
DIFFIDENCE
confidential friendship, close association:
INTIMACY
confidential or private, as a conversation:
TÊTE-À-TÊTE
confine, imprison: INCARCERATE
confine, surround, enclose within walls,
imprison: IMMURE

- confine or detain, as during war: INTERN
 confined without means of communication: INCOMMUNICADO
 confining or checking item, as a rope: TETHER
 confinement that is forced, imprisonment: DURANCE
 conflicting, mismatched, discordant: INCOMPATIBLE
 conflicting tendencies: AMBITENDENCY
 conforming, done in accordance with: PURSUANT
 conforming or agreeing: CONGRUENT
 conformity forced ruthlessly: PROCRUSTEAN
 confuse, defeat the plans of, frustrate: DISCOMFIT
 confuse, divert: DISTRACT
 confuse, mix up: DISORIENT
 confuse, muddle: EMBROIL
 confuse, obscure, bewilder: OBFUSCATE
 confuse, upset, frustrate: DISCONCERT
 confuse or mix up, as ideas or things: CONFOUND
 confused: ADDLED, ADDLE-BRAINED, ADDLEHEADED, ADDLEPATED
 confused, disjointed: INCOHERENT
 confused, disorderly situation, from military slang acronym "situation normal, all fouled [not sic] up": SNAFU
 confused, random: INDISCRIMINATE
 confused, vague: HAZY
 confused and hurried: HELTER-SKELTER
 confused condition, mess: MARE'S NEST
 confused mixture, medley: FARRAGO
 confused or complicated state of affairs: IMBROGLIO
 confused or meaningless talk: GALIMATIAS
 confused state: TURBIDITY
 confusion, hodgepodge: KATZENJAMMER
 confusion that is noisy: BEDLAM
 congenial, compatible: SIMPATICO
 congratulate: FELICITATE
 congratulation on a witty retort or a successful point made: TOUCHÉ
 conjunctions omitted: ASYNDETON
 connect like links of a chain: CATENATE
 connect with a crime or fault: IMPLICATE
 connection, bond, link: NEXUS
 connive or conspire: COLLUDE
 connoisseur: MAVEN, MAVIN
 connoisseur, collector of works of art: VIRTUOSO
 conscious of oneself as being observed by others, ill at ease: SELF-CONSCIOUS
 conscious perception: APPERCEPTION
 consciously or deliberately done: WITTINGLY
 consciousness: SENTIENCE
 consecrate, make holy: HALLOW
 consecrated or bound by vow or promise: VOTARY
 consent: ACCEDE
 consent given passively: SUFFERANCE
 consent quietly: ACQUIESCE
 consequence: AFTERMATH
 consequence: SEQUELA
 consequence or result that is normal: COROLLARY
 conservative, almost reactionary workers: HARD HATS
 conservative, reactionary: RIGHTIST
 conservative in beliefs, especially in politics: TORY
 conservative or old-fashioned person: FOGY
 conservative person: MOSSBACK
 consider as real: HYPOSTATIZE
 consider carefully, think about, reflect: PONDER
 consign to an obscure place or inferior position: RELEGATE
 consistency brought about, as in ideas: RECONCILED
 consolation in grief: SOLACE
 conspicuous, striking, standing out: SALIENT
 conspicuous public position: LIMELIGHT
 conspiracy, plot, secret and underhanded activity: INTRIGUE
 conspire, connive: COLLUDE
 conspire, scheme: MACHINATE
 constant: INVARIABLE
 constant movement or change: FLUX
 constantly cause irritation, rankle: FESTER
 constipated: COSTIVE
 construction material of plaster and fiber that is temporary: STAFF
 contact at a single point or along a line: TANGENT
 contagious disease that breaks out suddenly and affects many individuals at the same time: EPIDEMIC
 contain or include: COMPRISE
 container: RECEPTACLE
 container, usually metal, for tea, spices: CANISTER

container of miscellaneous things:
CATCHALL
container's weight deducted to find weight
of contents: TARE
contemplation of the navel: OMPHALO-
SKEPSIS
contemporary: COEVAL
contemptible, trivial, petty: PALTRY
contemptible, vile: DESPICABLE
contemptuous sound: BRONX CHEER
contend or argue about trifling matters:
STICKLE
contentious, argumentative: DISPUTATIOUS
contentment or smugness: COMPLACENCY
contest in which each player engages
every other player: ROUND ROBIN
contest won without much opposition:
WALKAWAY
continue unchanged, abide: SUBSIST
continuing, lasting a long time: CHRONIC
continuing, undecided: PENDING
continuing throughout the year or lasting a
long time: PERENNIAL
continuing without interruption: INCES-
SANT
continuity interrupted to give an episode
occurring earlier: FLASHBACK
continuous, pitiless: RELENTLESS
continuum of four dimensions—three of
space plus time: SPACE-TIME
contraceptive intrauterine device: LOOP
contraceptive medication for women: PILL
(THE PILL)
contraceptive or anti-infection sheath for
the penis: CONDOM
contraceptive pessary: DIAPHRAGM
contract obligating a person to work for
another for a period: INDENTURE
contracted: ABBREVIATED
contradict, deny, oppose: GAINSAY
contradict, repudiate, deny: DISAFFIRM
contradiction, inconsistency: DISCREPANCY
contradictory-appearing statement that is
really true: PARADOX
contradictory terms combined in one
phrase: OXYMORON
contradictory thoughts or attitudes: AM-
BIVALENCE
contrary, nonconforming: PERVERSE
contrary to: ATHWART
contrast: ANTITHESIS
contrast by reverse parallelism in phrase-
ology: CHIASMUS
contrition: PENITENCE

control and communication as they apply
to the operation of complex machines
and functions of human organisms:
CYBERNETICS
control artfully: MANIPULATE
controlled course of living: REGIMEN
conventional, proper: ORTHODOX
conventional person uninformed about
culture or aesthetics: PHILISTINE
conversational: COLLOQUIAL
conversation about unimportant things:
SMALL TALK
conversation or conference that is formally
arranged: COLLOQUY
conversation that is informal, chat: CAU-
SERIE
conversational wit: REPARTEE
convert, transform: RESOLVE
convert by intensive indoctrination:
BRAINWASH
convert into a different shape: TRANS-
MOGRIFY
convert or try to convert a person to one's
religion: PROSELYTE
convert the energy of instinctual drives
into socially acceptable manifesta-
tions: SUBLIMATE
convincing: COGENT
convincing, influential: POTENT
convulsive: SPASMODIC
convulsive seizure, as in pregnancy or
childbirth: ECLAMPSIA
cook gently: CODDLE
cooking, or the kitchen: CULINARY
cooking, its style and quality: CUISINE
cooking pot that is airtight and prepares
food quickly under pressure: PRES-
SURE COOKER
cool, casually indifferent: NONCHALANT
coolness, composure: SANG-FROID
coop or pen for small animals: HUTCH
cooperative, working together: SYNER-
GETIC
cooperate secretly: COLLUDE
coordinator of a broadcasting team: AN-
CHOR MAN
copy, duplicate made by the originator:
REPLICA
copy in form, as a legislative bill: EN-
GROSS
copy or reproduction that is exact: FAC-
SIMILE
copying device made up of four rods in
parallelogram shape: PANTOGRAPH

- copying process employing electrostatic attraction: XEROGRAPHY
 copyright or patent has run out: PUBLIC DOMAIN
 cord or belt worn around the waist: CINC-TURE
 cord or metal collar used in executions: GARROTE
 cordlike decoration used on clothes: PIP-ING
 corduroy ridge: WALE
 core, central or essential element: NU-CLEUS
 core group: CADRE
 cornmeal dough ball fried in deep fat: HUSH PUPPY
 cornstalks: STOVER
 corporation embracing companies in unre-lated industries: CONGLOMERATE
 corporation that holds securities of another corporation that it normally controls: HOLDING COMPANY
 corporation's total amount of securities is-sued: CAPITALIZATION
 corporeal, physical: SOMATIC
 corpulent, very fat: OBESE
 correct or change a literary work, espe-cially after scholarly study: EMEND
 correctable or reformable: CORRIGIBLE
 correctness of judgment, uprightness: RECTITUDE
 corrode or corrupt: CANKER
 corrosive, caustic: ESCHAROTIC
 corrupt: ADULTERATE
 corrupt: PERVERT
 corrupt, invalidate, debase: VITIATE
 corrupt, morally degraded: SCROFULOUS
 corrupt, pervert: DEPRAVE
 corrupt, rotten: PUTRID
 corrupt, seduce, deprave: DEBAUCH
 corrupt, sinful: PECCANT
 corrupt, subject to bribery: VENAL
 corrupt, undermine the morale: SUBVERT
 costs of transaction included in the price paid by a purchaser of securities: LOAD
 costs or continuous operating expenses of a business: OVERHEAD
 cottage cheese: SMEARCASE
 cottage or duplex apartment: MAISONETTE
 couch or sofa, upholstered and without back or arm rests: DIVAN
 couch without arms or back: OTTOMAN
 couchlike chair with elongated seat to sup-port legs: CHAISE LONGUE
 cough drop: TROCHE
 cough up (phlegm): HAWK
 couldn't care less: APATHETIC
 counterbalance: EQUIPONDERATE
 countercharge: RECRIMINATION
 counterfeit, artificial: POSTICHE
 counterfeit, illegitimate: SPURIOUS
 counterpart: OVERSE
 counting time in reverse: COUNTDOWN
 countries that are underdeveloped and belong to neither the communist nor the capitalist bloc: THIRD WORLD
 country home, Russian: DACHA
 country person who is awkward: BUMPKIN
 courage, initiative, shrewd common sense: GUMPTION
 courage, pluck, spirit: METTLE
 courage inspired by alcohol: DUTCH COURAGE
 courageous, valiant: METTLESOME
 course for advanced study: SEMINAR
 court clerk who is chief: PROTHONO-TARY
 court command that a thing be done: MANDAMUS
 court engaged in arbitrary or illegal proce-dures: STAR CHAMBER
 court has it under consideration: SUB JU-DICE
 court official's cry to obtain silence: OYEZ
 court order to appear and testify: SUB-POENA
 court that is unauthorized and irregular: KANGAROO COURT
 court writ ordering production of docu-ments or other evidence: SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM
 courteous, gallant, generous: CHIVALROUS
 courtesy: COMITY
 courtly or gallant man: CAVALIER
 court-martial in the field for an offense committed during operations: DRUM-HEAD COURT-MARTIAL
 cover or suffuse with a liquid or color: PERFUSE
 coverall worn by paratroops, mechanics, etc., or a woman's similar lounging garment: JUMP SUIT
 covered with matted woolly hair: TOMEN-TOSE
 covered with matted woolly masses: FLOCCULENT
 covering or outer coating, especially a nat-ural covering: INTEGUMENT
 cow, not fertile: FARROW

cow, young and not yet having produced a calf: HEIFER
 coward: POLTROON
 coward or sneak: DASTARD
 cowardly: CRAVEN
 cowardly, unfaithful: RECREANT
 cowardly, weak: PUSILLANIMOUS
 cowardly or timid: CHICKEN-HEARTED or CHICKEN-LIVERED
 cowboy's leather trousers: CHAPS
 co-worker: COADJUTOR
 coy, shy, modest, reserved: DEMURE
 crablike: CANCROID
 crack, cleft, chink: CREVICE
 crack, small space: INTERSTICE
 cracked or fissured, chinky: RIMOSE
 crackle or rattle: CREPITATE
 cracklings: GREAVES
 cracks that intersect, as in glazed pottery: CRAZE
 craft, cunning: SLEIGHT
 craftiness, cunning: WILE
 craftsman: ARTIFICER

crafty, foxlike, sly: VULPINE
 crafty, insincere: DISINGENUOUS
 cramp or muscle pain: MYALGIA
 cramped, uncomfortably small: INCOM-MODIOUS
 cranky, stubborn: PERVERSE
 crashing noisily, as waves: PLANGENT
 crave, yearn, desire: HANKER
 craven, mean-spirited person: POLTROON
 craving: APPETENCE
 crawl face downward, lie prostrate: GROVEL
 craze for irrational interest in one thing: MONOMANIA
 craze, obsession: MANIA
 crazed: DISTRAUGHT
 crazy: CRACKBRAINED
 crazy: HAYWIRE
 crazy, absurd: COCKAMAMIE
 creating ill will or dislike: INVIDIOUS
 creation that turns on its creator: FRANK-ENSTEIN'S MONSTER
 creative, original: PROMETHEAN

CREATURE TERMS

| <i>Creature</i> | <i>Group</i> | <i>Male</i> | <i>Female</i> | <i>Young</i> |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| antelope | herd | buck | doe | kid |
| ass | herd, drove, pace | jack | jenny | colt, foal |
| badger | cete | boar | sow | |
| bear | sloth | | | cub |
| beaver | | | | kitten |
| bee | swarm, hive | drone | queen | |
| boar | sounder | | | squeaker, calf |
| buffalo | herd | bull | cow | |
| camel | herd, flock | bull | cow | foal, calf, colt |
| cat | kindle (young), clowder, cluster | tom | she-cat, queen (fancy breed) | kitten |
| cattle | herd, drove | bull | cow | calf, heifer (female) |
| chicken | brood, flock | rooster, cock | hen | chicken, pullet (f) cockerel (m) |
| cod | | | codling, sprag | |
| crane | herd | | | |
| crow | murder | | | |
| deer | herd | buck, stag | doe | fawn |

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|-----------------|---|-------------|-------------------|------------------------------|
| dog | pack, kennel | hound | bitch | puppy, whelp |
| duck | team (in flight) paddling (in water) | drake | duck | duckling |
| eagle | convocation | | | eaglet |
| eel | swarm | | | elver |
| elephant | herd | bull | cow | calf |
| elk | gang | bull | cow | calf |
| ferret | business | dog | bitch | |
| finch | charm | | | |
| fish (general) | shoal, school, run | | | fry |
| frog | army | | | |
| fox | earth, skulk | vix | vixen | cub |
| giraffe | herd | | | |
| goat | flock, herd, tribe | billy | nanny (colloq) | kid |
| goose | flock, skein (on the wing), gaggle (on water) | gander | goose | gosling |
| grouse | covey (family), pack (larger group) | | | |
| gull | colony | | | |
| hare | drove, trace | buck | doe | leveret |
| hawk | flight | | | eyas |
| heron | siege | | | |
| herring | army, glean, shoal | | | |
| hippopotamus | | | | calf |
| horse | herd, stable | stallion | mare | colt, foal |
| hummingbird | charm | | | |
| jay | band | | | |
| kangaroo | troop | | | joey |
| lark | exaltation | | | |
| leopard | leap | leopard | leopardess | |
| lion | pride, flock, troop | lion | lioness | cub |
| lobster | | | hen | chicken lobster |
| mackerel | shoal | | | spike, blinker, tinker |
| monkey | troop, tribe | | | |
| moose | | bull | cow | calf |
| mouse | nest | | | |
| mule | barren, rake | | | |
| nightingale | watch | | | |
| owl | | | | owlet |
| otter | | dog | bitch | |
| ox | herd, drove | | | |
| parrot | flock | | | |
| partridge | covey | | | squeaker |
| peafowl | muster | peacock | peahen | |
| pheasant | nye (young), brood | | | |
| pigeon | flight, flock | | | squab, squealer, squeaker |

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|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------|--------------------|
| pig | herd | boar | sow | pig, farrow, shote |
| polecat | | hob | jill | |
| porpoise | school | | | |
| quail | bevy | | | |
| raven | unkindness | | | |
| rhinoceros | crash | | | |
| seal | crash, herd, pod | | | cub |
| sheep | flock | ram | ewe | lamb |
| sparrow | host | | | |
| squirrel | dray | | | |
| starling | chattering | | | |
| stork | mustering | | | |
| swallow | flight | | | |
| swan | herd, wedge | cob | pen | cygnet |
| swine | sounder | boar | sow | |
| tiger | | tiger | tigress | cub |
| toad | knot | | | |
| trout | hover | | | |
| turkey | flock | tom | hen | poult |
| turtle | bale | | | |
| whale | herd, school, gam, pod | bull | cow | calf |
| wolf | herd, rout, pack | dog wolf | bitch | whelp, cub |
| wren | herd | | | |
| zebra | herd | | | foal, colt |

credit amount that may legally be advanced by brokers to customers for purchase of securities: REGULATION T
 credit for an achievement: KUDOS
 credits in film or TV show that move vertically on screen: CRAWL
 credulous, unaffected, simple, candid, artless: NAIVE

creek or stream: KILL
 cremate, burn up: INCINERATE
 crescent or crescent-shaped: MENISCUS
 cricket, to deflect a ball by a slight turn of the bat: DRAW
 cricket over, or period, in which no runs are scored: MAIDEN OVER
 crime, criminals and prisons as a study: PENOLOGY
 crime, proof of a: CORPUS DELICTI
 crime or concealment of an offense by a public official: MISPRISION
 crime such as murder, rape, arson or burglary: FELONY
 crime study: CRIMINOLOGY
 criminal, evildoer: MALEFACTOR
 cringe fondly, toady: FAWN

crisis or conflict between two opposing political groups: CONFRONTATION
 crisis or critical situation: CONJUNCTURE
 criterion or standard for testing the qualities of something: TOUCHSTONE
 critic or adviser who is frank and severe: DUTCH UNCLE
 critical: CAPTIOUS
 critical, demanding immediate action, urgent: EXIGENT
 critical, harsh remark: BRICKBAT
 critical to an excessive degree, hard to please: HYPERCRITICAL
 critical year or period: CLIMACTERIC
 criticism: ANIMADVERSION
 criticism or difficulties from both sides: GANTLET
 criticism that is bitter or malicious: DIATRIBE
 criticism that is petty: QUIBBLE
 criticism that is severe: STRICTURE
 criticize, as if by perforation: RIDDLE
 criticize, find fault with, rebuke, blame: REPREHEND
 criticize angrily, caustically: VITRIOLIC

criticize sharply: SCARIFY
 cross bearer: CRUCIFER
 cross from one side to another: TRANS-
 VERSE
 cross in form of an x, intersect: DECUS-
 SATE
 cross shaped: CRUCIATE
 cross shaped: CRUCIFORM
 cross threads in cloth: WEFT
 cross with circle behind crossbeam: CEL-
 TIC CROSS
 cross woman, old-fashioned in dress:
 FRUMP
 crossbreed: INTERBREED
 cross-country race along a course contain-
 ing obstacles: STEEPLECHASE
 cross-country runner: HARRIER
 cross-country skiing run: LANGLAUF
 crossed the equator by ship: SHELLBACK
 cross-eyed condition: STRABISMUS
 cross-fertilization: XENOGAMY
 crouch or shrink in servility: CRINGE
 crowbar used by burglars: JIMMY
 crowd: RUCK
 crowd, or a coming together: CONCOURSE
 crowd, or a flocking together: CON-
 FLUENCE
 crowd or push roughly, shake up, elbow,
 shove: JOSTLE
 crowded, densely populated: IMPACTED
 crowded dwelling: WARREN
 crown or headband: DIADEM
 crownlike, jeweled headdress worn by
 women: TIARA
 crucially important, essential: PIVOTAL
 crude: INDELICATE
 crude, lacking polish: INURBANE
 crude, unrefined, rough: UNCOUTH
 cruel, stubborn: TRUCULENT
 cruel, vicious, inhuman: FELL
 cruel exercise of power: TYRANNY
 cruel or hideous being: OGRE
 cruel or wantonly pitiless person: HELL-
 KITE
 crumbly or pulverizable: FRIABLE
 crusade or fanatic campaign: JIHAD
 crush, subdue utterly, silence: SQUELCH
 crushable or crumbly: FRIABLE
 cry, wail, whimper: PULE
 cry loudly, scream, bawl: SQUALL
 cry or whine with low, broken sounds:
 WHIMPER
 cry that is long and plaintive, like a cat's:
 WAUL

cuddle: SNUGGLE
 cuddle, snuggle for comfort: NESTLE
 culminating point: SOLSTICE
 culminating or highest point: ZENITH
 cultivate deliberately the confidence or
 favor of others: INGRATIATE
 cultivation capability, of land: ARABLE
 cultural change in one society being af-
 fected by culture of another: ACCUL-
 TURATION
 cunning, craft: SLEIGHT
 cunning, craft, deceit: GUILE
 cunning, craftiness: WILE
 cunning, ingenious, intricate: DAEDAL
 cunning, treacherous, wily: INSIDIOUS
 cunningness, artful strategy, craftiness:
 FINESSE
 cup for drinking, large, often with a
 cover: TANKARD
 cup holder of filigreed metal, for a hot
 coffee cup: ZARF
 cup or glass filled to the brim: BUMPER
 cup or glass for measuring liquor: JIGGER
 curative, healing: THERAPEUTIC
 curb about a hatchway or skylight to keep
 out water: COAMING
 cure-all, remedy for all ailments: PANACEA
 curious to an offensive degree: INQUIRI-
 TORIAL
 curling, to play the stone gently: DRAW
 curse, call down a calamity: IMPRECATE
 curse, denounce violently: EXECRATE
 curse against someone, slander, calumny:
 MALEDICTION
 curse or ban: ANATHEMA
 cursing: BLASPHEMY
 curtain at rear of stage: BACKDROP
 curtain in a doorway: PORTIÈRE
 curve, especially inward: INCURVATE
 curve in and out, bend: SINUATE
 curve pattern that circles around a central
 point or in either direction around an
 axis: SPIRAL
 curved or bent part, bending: FLECTION
 curved wall or screen usually containing
 pictures: CYCLOPAMA
 curving inward: CONCAVE
 curving outward: CONVEX
 custard or other easily digested dish:
 FLUMMERY
 custodian, superintendent, in charge of a
 museum or similar institution: CU-
 RATOR
 customary practice, habit: WONT

custom-made (British): BESPOKE
 customs or folkways of a social group:
 MORES
 cut, scratch: SCOTCH
 cut across, divide: INTERSECT
 cut expenses: RETRENCH
 cut into, carve, engrave: INCISE
 cut off by ecclesiastical authority: EX-
 COMMUNICATE
 cut or mark the edge of border with
 notches: INDENT
 cut or notch carved out by a saw or ax:
 KERF
 cut or part into two sections: DICHOT-
 OMIZE
 cut or split into long thin pieces: SLIVER

cut or trim the branches as from a tree:
 LOP
 cut out, excise: EXSCIND
 cut the top or end from: TRUNCATE
 cut up or stir the surface, as of topsoil:
 SCARIFY
 cutlet, especially veal: SCHNITZEL
 cutoff of operation or service by accident:
 OUTAGE
 cutting, intersecting: SECANT
 cutting, splitting: SCISSION
 cutting off: ABSCISSION
 cutting teeth, teething: DENTITION
 cyclone in the western Pacific: TYPHOON
 cynical, sneering, scornful: SARDONIC

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dabbler with a superficial interest in an art or science: DILETTANTE

dagger mark, double, in printing (‡): DIESIS

dagger or sword with wavy-edged blade: KRIS

daily: DIURNAL

daily expense allowance: PER DIEM

daily occurrence: QUOTIDIAN

daily prayers said by Catholic clergy: BREVIARY

dainty, elegant or affectedly prim: MINCING

dainty, oversensitive: FASTIDIOUS

dam placed in a stream to divert the water, as in irrigation: WEIR

damage as if by perforation: RIDDLE

damage or destruction done deliberately to obstruct a cause: SABOTAGE

damage to a person's reputation done through a false or malicious written statement or graphic representation: LIBEL

damages awarded in excess of actual loss: EXEMPLARY DAMAGES

damaging or destruction of property willfully: VANDALISM

damnation, hell: PERDITION

damp, moist: HUMID

dance in which couples form sets in squares: SQUARE DANCE

dance in which the performer's shoes sharply accentuate the rhythm with the toes and heels: TAP DANCE

dance like a slow polka: SCHOTTISCHE

dance movement in which a couple swing round with hands joined: POUSETTE

dance of Rumanians and Israelis in which dancers lock arms in a circle: HORA

dance of Slavs in which a man performs the prisiadka, a step in which from a

squatting position each leg is kicked out alternately: KAZATSKY

dancer: TERPSICHOREAN

dancing art: CHOREOGRAPHY

dancing mania, characteristic of a nervous disorder: TARANTISM

dancing muse: TERPSICHORE

dandified man or one who dresses overfastidiously: FOP

dandruff: FURFUR

dandruff or similar scales shed by the skin: SCURF

dandy, fop, man who dresses flashily: DUDE

danger: JEOPARDY

danger on both sides: BETWEEN SCYLLA AND CHARYBDIS

danger sign, warning, especially in zoology: SEMATIC

danger that is imminent: SWORD OF DAMOCLES

dangerous speed: BREAKNECK

dangerous to society: PESTILENT

daring, audacity, impudence, boldness: HARDIHOOD

dark: APHOTIC

dark, gloomy: CIMMERIAN

dark, gloomy: TENEBROUS

dark, gloomy, infernal: STYGIAN

dark, obscure, misty: MURKY

dark complexioned, dusky: SWARTHY

dark and threatening, as the weather: LOWERING

dark appearance or dark pigmentation: MELANOID

dark shape or profile with a light background: SILHOUETTE

darkened or tinged with brown, as a part of an insect's wing: INFUSCATE

dash, enthusiasm, vivacity: ÉLAN

dash, spirited style: PANACHE

dash, vigor: VERVE

dashing, gay, smart: RAKISH

dashing, large, vigorous, swift: SPANK-
ING

dashing, self-confident, stylish, lively,
brisk: JAUNTY

date on which a loan or bond comes due:
MATURITY

daughter's sexual attachment to her father:
ELECTRA COMPLEX

dauntless, fearless, bold: INTREPID

dawdle, waste time: DILLYDALLY

dawdle, waste time: PIDDLE

dawdle, pass time, cheat: DIDDLE

dawn: COCKCROW

day blindness: HEMERALOPIA

day by day account of events: CHRONOL-
OGY

day or month added to the calendar: IN-
TERCALARY

day when night and day are of equal
length, marking start of spring or au-
tumn: EQUINOX

daydreaming; musing: REVERIE

daydreaming tendency: AUTISM

days and nights are equal at these times,

March 21 and September 21: VERNAL

EQUINOX AND AUTUMNAL EQUINOX

daytime rather than nighttime: DIURNAL

dazzling, brilliant, swift: METEORIC

dazzling, shining with brilliance, vividly
bright: RESPLENDENT

dead, extinct: DEFUNCT

dead; say nothing but good about them: DE
MORTUIS NIL NISI BONUM

dead at birth: STILLBORN

dead or rotten flesh: CARRION

dead person: DECEDENT

deaden, paralyze with fear: PETRIFY

deadlocked situation: STALEMATE

deadly, fatal: LETHAL

deadly, injurious malicious: PERNICIOUS

deadly to both sides of a group: INTER-
NECINE

deaf mute alphabet: DACTYLOLOGY

dealer or trader: MONGER

dealing with people or situations delicately
and without giving offense: TACT

death: DEMISE

death, resurrection, immortality, as a sub-
ject of study: ESCHATOLOGY

death anniversary observed by Jews:
YAHRTZEIT

death blow or mortal blow: COUP DE
GRACE

death investigation: INQUEST

death omen: KNELL

death only apparent not real: ANABIOTIC

death that is painless and peaceful: EU-
THANASIA

deathly looking: CADAVEROUS

debase: ADULTERATE

debase, corrupt, invalidate: VITIATE

debase oneself as from fear or servility:
GROVEL

debatable or so hypothetical as to be with-
out significance: MOOT

debate or argue earnestly: CONTEND

debate, argumentation: FORENSICS

debate that is formal: DISPUTATION

debauched, immoral: DISSOLUTE

debt-acknowledging certificate: DEBEN-
TURE

debt acknowledgment that is non-negotia-
ble and usually exchangeable for
goods or services: DUE BILL

debt or liability extinguished gradually, as
by installment payments: AMORTIZED

decay, rot: PUTREFY

decay or decline as in art or morals: DE-
CADENCE

decayed: CARIOUS

decayed, neglected, shabby: DILAPI-
DATED

deceit, cunning, craft: GUILF

deceit, dishonest dealing: INDIRECTION

deceitful: MENDACIOUS

deceitful, treacherous: DOUBLE-DEALING

deceitfulness, trickery, double-dealing:
DUPLICITY

deceitfulness, trickery, rascality: KNAVERY

deceive: BEGUILE

deceive, cheat, trick: FINAGLE

deceive, mislead: EQUIVOCATE

deceive or cheat in a petty way: COZEN

deceiver: IMPOSTOR

deception, trickery: HOCUS-POCUS

deception or pretended blow meant to dis-
tract: FEINT

deceptive, pretended, sham: FEIGNED

deceptive explanation designed to cover
up a defect or a fault: GLOSS

deceptively appearing to be true or cor-
rect: SPECIOUS

decided previously by judicial authority:
RES JUDICATA

deciding statement: CLINCHER

deciding vote: CASTING VOTE

decimal system of counting: ALGORISM

decision maker in a dispute: ARBITER

decisive, final, absolute, positive: PER-
EMPTY
declare relevant and operative, as a law:
INVOKE
declare solemnly: ASSEVERATE
decline or decay as in art or morals: DE-
CADENCE
declining, worsening, going backward:
RETROGRADE
declining market: BEAR MARKET
decoding: CRYPTANALYSIS
decorate, dress up: TITIVATE
decorate, ornament: EMBELLISH
decorate an initial page or word of a
manuscript with designs or bright
colors: ILLUMINATE
decorate lavishly as with jewels: INCRUST,
ENCRUST
decorate or dress up with showy or-
naments: PRANK
decorate or enrich with engraved or inlaid
work: ENCHASE
decorated with material embedded flush
with the surface: INLAID
decorative horizontal strip, as along the top
of a wall: FRIEZE
decorative plan of a room: DECOR
decree: RESCRIPT
decree, command or prohibition: EDICT
decree, establish: ORDAIN
decree, law: STATUTE
decree that is official and arbitrary: UKASE
dedicate or sign a book for presentation:
INSCRIBE
dedicatory words or lines at the end of a
poem: ENVOY
deduce by logical methods: RATIOCINATE
deduction, conjecture: INFERENCE
deduction, discount: REBATE
deduction, inference: ILLATION
deductive reasoning: SYNTHESIS
deductive reasoning formula: SYLLOGISM
deep in intellect or feeling: PROFOUND
deep involvement: IMMERSION
deep red or purplish red: CARMINE
deep-rooted, firmly established: IN-
GRAINED
deep-sea chamber: BATHYSPHERE
deeply established habits: SECOND NATURE
deer meat: VENISON
deer's tail: FLAG
defamation that is spoken: SLANDER
defame, dishonor: SMIRCH
defame, disparage, blacken: DENIGRATE

defame, disparage, despise: VILIPEND
defame, revile: VILIFY
defame, say malicious things: TRADUCE
defame, traduce: MALIGN
defamatory and abusive words: OBLOQUY
defeat, nullify, prevail over: OVERRIDE
defeat but with great losses: CADMEAN
VICTORY, PYRRHIC VICTORY
defeat by cleverness: OUTWIT
defeat by skillful maneuver: CHECKMATE
defeat the plans or purposes of, frustrate,
vanquish: DISCOMFIT
defeat suffered abruptly: REBUFF
defeat utterly: DRUB
defeated officeholder with some time to re-
main in office: LAME DUCK
defect existing at birth: CONGENITAL DE-
FECT
defendable, maintainable: TENABLE
defense or justification: APOLOGIA
defense system that is a form of jujitsu:
JUDO
defenseless, cannot be defended, as an at-
titude: UNTENABLE
defensive tactic: PARRY
defer, put off, postpone: WAIVE
defiance of established doctrine: HERESY
defiant in an aggressive way: TRUCULENT
deficiency: INSUFFICIENCY
defile, besmirch, soil: SULLY
defile, dirty: POLLUTE
definite, clear, straightforward, outspoken:
EXPLICIT
definitive, judicial, established by decree:
DECRETORY
deflect, turn aside, distract, amuse, enter-
tain: DIVERT
deformation of the earth's crust, forming
mountains, continents: DIASTROPHISM
defraud or cheat a person: MULCT
defy, scoff, mock, jeer: FLOUT
degrade: Demean
degraded, base, dishonorable: IGNOBLE
degraded, morally debased: SCROFULOUS
degraded, sneaky, skulking: HANGDOG
degree of personal excellence: CALIBER
degree or range of occurrence: INCIDENCE
degree or strength of some feeling, qual-
ity, action: INTENSITY
deification: APOTHEOSIS
deign to grant or permit: VOUCHSAFE
dejected: CHAPFALLEN
dejected: DISPIRITED
dejected: INCONSOLABLE

dejected, depressed: CRESTFALLEN
 dejected, gloomy, saddened: DISCONSOLATE
 dejection of spirits, hopelessness: DESPONDENCY
 dejection or despair: SLOUGH OF DESPOND
 delay, hinder, put obstacles in the way of: IMPEDE
 delay, hinder, slow: RETARD
 delay, postponement, interval of relief or rest: RESPITE
 delay, temporary: ABEYANCE
 delay authorized in some specific activity: MORATORIUM
 delayed reaction to a joke or unusual situation: DOUBLE TAKE
 delaying: DILATORY
 delete obscene or otherwise objectionable material: EXPURGATE
 deletion, erasure: EXPUNCTION
 deliberate decision: VOLITION
 deliberately or consciously done: WITTINGLY
 delicate, flimsy substance: GOSSAMER
 delicately and carefully made: WROUGHT
 delicious, sometimes sweet in excess, cloying: LUSCIOUS
 delight, give unusual pleasure, entertain: REGALE
 delight (in), celebrate, make merry: REVEL
 delightful, entrancing: RAVISHING
 deliver up or surrender an accused individual to another state or country: EXTRADITE
 delusions of persecution or grandeur: PARANOIA
 demand for a customer to put money or securities with his broker: MARGIN CALL
 demand or summons: REQUISITION
 demand rigorously, require as a matter of justice: EXACT
 demanding constant hard work: EXACTING
 demanding insistently: IMPORTUNATE
 demolish, level to the ground: RAZE
 demon that takes possession of a living person: DYBBUK
 demon-possessed: DEMONiac
 demonstrable: APODICTIC
 demonstrate convincingly, show clearly: VINCE
 denounce, condemn: DECRY
 denounce violently, curse: EXECRATE
 dense, incomprehensible: IMPENETRABLE

dentistry branch that is devoted to gums and bones supporting the teeth: PERIODONTICS
 dentistry that strives to prevent and correct tooth irregularities: ORTHODONTICS
 denunciation: REPROBATION
 denunciation, loud and violent: FULMINATION
 denunciation or accusation that is violent: INVECTIVE
 denunciation or threat, especially from a divine source: COMMINATION
 denunciatory speech: TIRADE
 deny, repudiate: DISAFFIRM
 deny, oppose, contradict: GAINSAY
 deny oneself something: ABSTAIN
 deny or renounce one's own rights, etc.: ABNEGATION
 depart suddenly: ABSCOND
 dependable, firm: STAUNCH
 dependency: APPANAGE
 dependent on luck: ALEATORY
 department, or manner in which one bears oneself: DEMEANOR
 deposit eggs or roe: SPAWN
 deprave, corrupt, seduce: DEBAUCH
 depravity, baseness, vileness: TURPITUDE
 depreciatory or derogatory: PEJORATIVE
 depressed, bored, or dull state of mind: DOLDRUMS
 depressed, dejected: CRESTFALLEN
 depressed, downhearted: DISPIRITED
 depressed, gloomy, dusky: SOMBER
 depressed mood: FUNK
 depressing, unhappy: DOWNBEAT
 deprive as a punishment: AMERCE
 deprive as of rights or possessions, strip as of clothes: DIVEST
 deprive of, strip, rob: DESPOIL
 deprive of rights or privileges, as of a citizen's right to vote: DISFRANCHISE
 deputy, agent, substitute: VICAR
 deranged mentality: ABERRATION
 deride, sneer, laugh coarsely, jeer: FLEER
 derisive or mocking speech or manner: JEER
 derisive sound: BRONX CHEER
 derivations and development of words, as a study: ETYMOLOGY
 derogatory or depreciatory: PEJORATIVE
 descendant, offspring: SCION
 descent of an individual traced from a certain ancestor: GENEALOGY
 describe, portray, paint, or draw: LIMN

description of a person, as of a criminal for identification: SIGNALMENT
 desecrate, pollute: PROFANE
 desert, change sides: TERGIVERSATE
 deserted, wretched, abandoned, cheerless: FORLORN
 deserter, traitor: RENEGADE
 desertion of faith or principles: APOSTASY
 deserved or suitable, as a punishment: CONDIGN
 design cut on a gem: GLYPTOGRAPH
 design in nature, as studied in cosmology: TELEOLOGY
 design in relief, as in metal: REPOUSSÉ
 design or shape that doesn't adhere to any rigid pattern: FREE-FORM
 desire: APPETENCE
 desire, crave, yearn: HANKER
 desire, feel the need for or the lack of: DESIDERATE
 desire or lust for something belonging to another: COVET
 desolate or saddened through loss: BEREAVED
 despair or dejection: SLOUGH OF DESPOND
 despise, defame, disparage: VILIPEND
 despise, scorn: CONTEMN
 despotic subordinate governor: SATRAP
 despotism: ABSOLUTISM
 destroy completely, wipe out: OBLITERATE
 destroy or kill a large proportion of: DECIMATE
 destroy or weaken the affection of: DISAFFECT
 destroy utterly, pull up by the roots, uproot, erase: ERADICATE
 destroyer wholly, root out: EXTIRPATE
 destroyer of images, or of venerated objects or ideas: ICONOCLAST
 destruction, mutilation or alteration, especially of a legal document: SPOLIATION
 destruction, ruin: HAVOC
 destruction of great scope, especially by fire: HOLOCAUST
 destruction or extermination of an entire people or national group: GENOCIDE
 destructive force that is slow and irresistible: JUGGERNAUT
 detached, isolated: INSULAR
 detached, unbiased: OBJECTIVE
 detail, declare, state: EXPOUND
 detailed examination or discussion: CANVASS

detain or confine, as during war: INTERN
 detective (humorous use): HAWKSHAW
 deter or alter the plans of someone by persuasion: DISSUADE
 detergent: ABLUENT
 deteriorated, rickety: RAMSHACKLE
 deterioration, biologically, of a strain or type, especially of man: DYSGENIC
 determined, brave, strong: STALWART
 determined, resolved, unflinching: RESOLUTE
 detest: ABHOR
 detestable, revolting, abominable: EXECRABLE
 detestation: ABHORRENCE
 detract, take away from: DEROGATE
 detraction: DISPARAGEMENT
 develop, sit on and hatch eggs: INCUBATE
 develop or work out gradually: EVOLVE
 develop to the utmost, make the most of: OPTIMIZE
 developed or advanced more rapidly than is usual: PRECOCIOUS
 deviating from normal rule: ANOMALOUS
 deviating from the right way: ABERRANCE
 deviating from what is generally accepted: PERVERSE
 deviation: ABERRATION
 deviation from the main current: EDDY
 deviation from the normal: PERVERSION
 devil, in Moslem countries: SHAITAN
 devilish: CLOVEN-HOOFED
 devious: AMBAGIOUS
 devious: TORTUOUS
 devise, think out carefully: EXCOGITATE
 devise or make up: CONCOCT
 devitalize, sap the strength of, weaken: ENERVATE
 devoted: ASSIDUOUS
 devoted blindly: IDOLATROUS
 devotee: AFICIONADO
 devotee of a particular pursuit, enthusiast: VOTARY
 dexterity or skill in manipulation: SLEIGHT
 dexterous: ADROIT
 diagonal: CATER-CORNERED
 diagonal or oblique line: BIAS
 diagram showing a sequence of operations for a program or process: FLOW CHART
 diagram, synopsis or summary, as of a process: SCHEMA
 diagrams, charts, drawings, etc., used as explanatory matter: GRAPHICS

dialect, especially one that is crude: PATOIS
 dialect of a region that has become the language of a larger area: KOINE
 dialect or jargon mixed with English: PIDGIN ENGLISH
 dialogue: INTERLOCUTION
 diameter-measuring instrument: CALIPERS
 diametrically opposed: ANTIPODAL
 dictatorial, imperious: PEREMPTORY
 dictionary compiling: LEXICOGRAPHY
 die without having made a will: INTES-TATE
 differ in opinion: DIVERGE
 difference: DISSIMILITUDE
 difference, as of opinion: DIVERGENCE
 difference of opinion, discord, quarrel: DISSENSION
 differences in outlook between individuals: PERSONAL EQUATION
 different: DIVERSE
 different, dissimilar, distinct: DISPARATE
 different directions, move in: DIVERGE
 differing: DISSIDENT
 differing, not all alike: HETEROGENEOUS
 differing in names that show a relationship: HETERONYMOUS
 difficult, stubborn, unruly: INTRACTABLE
 difficult and interminable: SISYPHEAN
 difficult or puzzling, as a problem: STICKLER
 difficult position: QUAGMIRE
 difficult situation: MORASS
 difficult to accomplish: HERCULEAN
 difficult to deal with: SCABROUS
 difficult to understand: ABSTRUSE
 difficulties or criticism from both sides: GANTLET
 diffuse or scatter, as if by sowing: DISSEMINATE
 diffusion of a fluid through a membrane: OSMOSIS
 dig out the facts: PLUMB
 dig up a corpse or some buried thing: EXHUME
 digest or summary: CONSPECTUS
 digestion that is good: EUPEPSIA
 dignified, well-bred air: DISTINGUÉ
 digress, wander or stray from the subject: DIVAGATE
 digression: APOSTROPHE
 digressive, rambling: EXCURSIVE
 digs, study of: ARCHEOLOGY

diligent, constant, working steadily: SEDULOUS
 diligent and careful: PAINSTAKING
 dim, obscure, pertaining to twilight: CREPUSCULAR
 diminish: ABATE
 diminish or lessen: DWINDLE
 dimming of lights: BROWNOUT
 dimple or small depression: FOSSETTE
 dinner menu with each item having a separate price: A LA CARTE
 dinner menu with a complete meal at a set price: TABLE D'HÔTE
 dinner precooked and frozen in an aluminum-foil tray: TV DINNER
 dining hall in a college or monastery: REFECTORY
 dip into liquid for pickling: SOUSE
 dip lightly or suddenly into water, as a bird does: DAP
 diphtheria test: SCHICK TEST
 diplomatic, prudent, wise: POLITIC
 diplomatic etiquette: PROTOCOL
 direct, blunt: POINT-BLANK
 direct, plain: FLAT-FOOTED
 direct into set channels: CANALIZE
 direct opposite: ANTITHESIS
 directed firmly, unwavering, steadfast: INTENT
 direct relationship, freedom from intervention: IMMEDIACY
 direction or sense of direction lost or mixed up: DISORIENTATION
 dirge, funeral hymn: EPICEDIMUM
 dirge, funeral song: THRENODY
 dirty, defile: POLLUTE
 dirty, foul, appearing neglected: SQUALID
 dirty, squalid: SORDID
 disable: INCAPACITATE
 disadvantage: DRAWBACK
 disadvantage imposed on contestants of superior ability in a contest or race: HANDICAP
 disagree: DISSENT
 disagreeable, offensive: UNSAVORY
 disagreeable, ugly, unpleasant in appearance: ILL-FAVORED
 disagreement: DISSIDENCE
 disagreement, quarreling: AT LOGGERS-HEADS
 disappear by degrees, vanish gradually: EVANESCE
 disappointment over one's own acts: CHAGRIN

disapproval: ANIMADVERSION
 disapprove, plead against: DEPRECATE
 disarrayed or partly dressed: DISHABILLE
 disaster that brings violent change: CATA-
 CLYSM
 disavow a former belief: RECENT
 disbelief or denial of purpose in existence
 or in customary institutions: NIHILISM
 disbelieving, doubting: INCREDULOUS
 discard or cast off a previously favored
 sweetheart: JILT
 discard something that hampers: JETTISON
 discerning, perceptive, keen: PERSPICAC-
 IOUS
 discernment, wisdom: SAGACITY
 discharge of repressed emotions: CA-
 THARSIS
 discharge suddenly and quickly, exclaim:
 EJACULATE
 disciplinarian of extreme militaristic se-
 verity: MARTINET
 disciplinary action that is swift: CRACK-
 DOWN
 disclose, bring to light, reveal: EXHUME
 disclose, make known, bestow: IMPART
 disclose, reveal, give vent to: UNBOSOM
 disclose, reveal, tell: DIVULGE
 disclosure in a trial or hearing that a de-
 fendant is compelled to make: DIS-
 COVERY
 disconcert, impede, complicate: EMBAR-
 RASS
 disconcerted by some occurrence:
 ABASHED
 disconnect: UNCOUPLE
 disconnected, lacking in coherence: DIS-
 JOINTED
 disconnected, separate: DISCRETE
 discontent or illness, a chronic feeling of
 either: DYSPHORIA
 discord, quarrel, difference of opinion:
 DISSENSION
 discord, harsh disagreement: DISSONANCE
 discordant: ABSONANT
 discordant, harsh sound: JANGLE
 discordant, conflicting, mismatched: IN-
 COMPATIBLE
 discordant sound: CACOPHANY
 discourage: DISHEARTEN
 discourteous or rude manner: INCIVILITY
 discover with the eye, discern, observe:
 DESCRIBED
 discovery and investigation as a way of
 learning: HEURISTICS
 discriminate or distinguish: SECERN

discriminating taste in food and drink:
 GOURMET
 discussion or series of remarks: DESCANT
 discussion that is informal and rambling:
 CRACKER-BARREL
 disdainful, arrogant: SUPERCILIOUS
 disease breaking out suddenly and affect-
 ing many individuals at the same
 time: EPIDEMIC
 disease correction by manipulation of
 parts of the body: OSTEOPATHY
 disease moving from one part of the body
 to another: METASTASIS
 disease of the intestine usually caused by
 eating undercooked pork: TRICH-
 NOSIS
 disease-preventing treatment: PROPHY-
 LAXIS
 disease treatment effected by producing
 incompatible conditions: ALLOPATHY
 diseases and their nature, as a branch of
 medicine: PATHOLOGY
 diseases classified and described: NOSOG-
 RAPHY
 disembowel or remove vital part of: EVIS-
 CERATE
 disentangle, free from entanglement: EX-
 TRICATE
 disgrace, infamy: OBLOQUY
 disgrace attached to a person or group:
 STIGMA
 disgraceful: INGLORIOUS
 disgraceful, shocking, notorious: FLA-
 GRANT
 disgracing, abusive: OPPROBRIOUS
 disguise, feign, conceal, make a false
 show of: DISSEMBLE
 disguise or shelter: COVERTURE
 disguise to avoid recognition: INCOGNITO
 disguise to blend with environment: CAM-
 OUFLAGE
 disgust or dislike in the extreme, abhor-
 rence: LOATHING
 disgusting, offensive, hateful, repugnant:
 ODIOS
 disgusting, offensive, stinking, noxious:
 NOISOME
 dish, deep and covered, for serving soup:
 TUREEN
 dish made light by adding beaten egg
 whites: SOUFFLÉ
 dish of chopped meat, eggs, onions, an-
 chovies: SALMAGUNDI
 disharmony in a relationship: RIFT
 disheveled, untidy: UNKEMPT

dishonesty, deceitfulness, trickery:

KNAVERY

dishonesty, lack of integrity: IMPROBITY

dishonor, defame: SMIRCH

dishonorable: IGNOMINIOUS

dishonorable, degraded, base: IGNOBLE

disinterested, free from bias, fair: IMPARTIAL

disjoint, dislocate: LUXATE

disjointed, broken up into separate incidents: EPISODIC

disjointed, confused: INCOHERENT

dislike of debate, argument, or reasoning: MISOLOGY

dislike or disgust in the extreme, abhorrence: LOATHING

dislocate, throw out of joint: LUXATE

dismayed: AGHAST

dismiss in disgrace: CASHIER

dismissal or leavetaking: CONGÉ

disobedient: INSUBORDINATE

disobedient, insolently so: CONTUMACIOUS

disobedient, stubborn, rebellious: RECALCITRANT

disorder, confusion: HUGGER-MUGGER

disorder, destruction or carnage, scene of: SHAMBLES

disorder and inertness as an irreversible tendency of a system: ENTROPY

disorder resulting from lack of leader or plan: ANARCHY

disordered, jumbled, topsy-turvy: HIGGLEDY-PIGGLEDY

disorderly, boisterous, rude: RAMBUNCTIOUS

disorderly, loud: RAUCOUS

disorderly, wild haste: PELL-MELL

disown, reject, refuse to accept: REPUDIATE

disparage, defame, blacken: DENIGRATE

disparage, treat with contempt: VILIPEND

disparaging term used to describe something inoffensive: DYSPHEMISM

dispel, waste, squander: DISSIPATE

display ostentatiously: FLOURISH

display or parade brazenly or gaudily: FLAUNT

displease or bore: PALL

dispose of, make unnecessary: OBTVIATE

dispose of a matter quickly: DISPATCH

dispose of by fraud or trickery: FOB

dispose of swiftly: MAKE SHORT SHRIFT OF

dispose quickly of a matter: DISPATCH OR WITH DISPATCH

disposition, tendency, leaning: PROCLIVITY

dispossession that is unlawful: DISSEIZIN

disproportionate, inadequate: INCOMMENSURATE

disprove, demonstrate an error: REFUTE

dispute: ALTERCATION

dispute, challenge, attack the truth or validity of: IMPUGN

dispute, challenge, call in question: OP-PUGN

disregard, forgetfulness: OBLIVION

disregard, neglect: SLIGHT

disregard for the rules or for fact to achieve artistic effect: POETIC LICENSE

disreputable, ill-tempered, perverse woman, hussy: JADE

disreputable, tawdry, vulgar: RAFFISH

disrespect toward one to whom deference is due: LESE MAJESTY

disrespectful, insulting: INSOLENT

dissension, disagreement, lack of harmony: DISCORD

dissenter: RECUSANT

dissimilar, distinct, different: DISPARATE

dissimilar, unrelated, unlike: HETEROGENEOUS

dissolute, lustful: WANTON

distance around: CIRCUMFERENCE

distance light travels in a vacuum in one year: LIGHT-YEAR

distance measured by determination of angles: TELEMETRY

distance of an eighth of a mile: FURLONG

distance of 3,280.8 feet: KILOMETER

distant, unknown region: ULTIMA THULE

distended, swollen: TURGID

distinct, different, dissimilar: DISPARATE

distinct, separate, disconnected from others: DISCRETE

distinctive mark: CACHET

distinguish or discriminate: SECERN

distinguished: PRESTIGIOUS

distinguished, dignified, well-bred: DISTINGUÉ

distinguished, renowned: ILLUSTRIOUS

distinguishing characteristic, facial contour or feature: LINEAMENT

distort, misapply: PERVERT

distort, pervert: WREST

distorted vision or view: ASTIGMATISM

distortion of shape: ANAMORPHISM

distract, amuse, entertain: DIVERT

distract, turn aside, deflect: DIVERT

distress, cause of: BANE
 distress, pain, suffering, anguish: TRAVAIL
 distress or disturb the mind or feelings painfully: HARROW
 distribute or divide in proportion: PRORATE
 district of a city in which a minority lives: GHETTO
 distrust or hatred of mankind: MISANTHROPY
 distrustful: ASKANCE
 disturb, alarm, upset: PERTURB
 disturb, bother: INCOMMODE
 disturb, trouble, inconvenience: DISCOMMODE
 disturb or ruffle: DISTEMPER
 disturb the mind or feelings painfully, distress: HARROW
 disturb the smoothness of: RUFFLE
 disturbance, civil disorder: DISTEMPER
 disturbance of the peace: AFFRAY
 ditch or moat artificially created: FOSSE
 dive in which one does a back flip and plunges into the water head first and facing the board: HALF GAINER
 dive down suddenly, as a whale when harpooned: SOUND
 diverge, spread apart or branch out at a wide angle: DIVARICATE
 divergency, inconsistency: DISCREPANCY
 diverse, varied to a great degree: MULTIFARIOUS
 diversify or vary by adding something different: INTERLARD
 diversity of sources used: ECLECTIC
 divert, confuse: DISTRACT
 diverted by thought, preoccupied: BE-MUSED
 divide, separate, part: DISSEVER
 divide or shape a voting area to advance the interests of one political party: GERRYMANDER
 divide by cutting or passing across: INTERSECT
 divide into opposing groups or views: POLARIZE
 divide into two sections: DICHOTOMIZE
 divide or distribute in proportion: PRORATE
 divide or spread out into divisions: RAMIFY
 divided in half: DIMIDIATE
 dividend, either regular or scheduled, that has been omitted: PASSED DIVIDEND
 dividend on stock, paid in securities instead of cash: STOCK DIVIDEND
 divination by means of figures formed

when particles of earth are thrown down at random: GEOMANCY
 divination by use of a divining rod: RHABDOMANCY
 divinatory, mystical or magical arts: OCCULT
 divine or supernatural intervention in human affairs: THEURGY
 division: SCISSION
 division of a church or other organization into factions: SCHISM
 dizziness: VERTIGO
 dizzy, whirling, spinning: VERTIGINOUS
 do or commit something, as a crime or hoax: PERPETRATE
 do away with, as a law or a right: ABROGATE
 do penance, be humbled: GO TO CANOSSA
 doctor serving apprenticeship in a hospital: INTERN
 doctor who treats animals: VETERINARIAN
 doctor's auxiliary or assistant: PARAMEDIC
 doctrine, belief or principle maintained as true by a person or a group: TENET
 doctrine that all life is sacred: AHIMSA
 doctrine that holds reality has existence independent of the mind: OBJECTIVISM
 doctrines held to be true and necessary: DOGMA
 document accrediting an envoy to a foreign power: LETTER OF CREDENCE
 document wholly in the handwriting of the person whose signature it bears: HOLOGRAPH
 dodge, avoid: SIDESTEP
 dodge or device to avoid unpleasantness: SUBTERFUGE
 dogmatic, arrogant, haughty, pompous: PONTIFICAL
 dogmatic or unproved assertion: IPSE DIXIT
 doll made of wood representing spirit ancestors of Pueblo Indians: KACHINA
 dollar per share of stock: POINT
 domain: DEMESNE
 domain of authority: BAILIWICK
 dome, or roof that is rounded: CUPOLA
 dominant, prevalent: REGNANT
 dominate thoughts, engross: PREOCCUPY
 domination of one state over another or leadership: HEGEMONY
 domineering, arrogant: IMPERIOUS
 domineering, overwhelming: OVERBEARING

done beyond recall, accomplished fact:
FAIT ACCOMPLI

done or said for effect or as a formality:
GESTURE

done with great effort: LABORED

doomed to failure: FORLORN HOPE

door, entrance: PORTAL

door divided horizontally so that either half can be opened separately: DUTCH DOOR

door or window part, above the opening and supporting structure above it: LINTEL

doorkeeper of a building: CONCIERGE

doorway curtain that replaces a door: PORTIERE

doorway or window drapery that covers only top half of opening: LAMBREQUIN

doorway side post: JAMB

dormant: LATENT

dots of many colors used as a method of painting: POINTILLISM

dots or hyphens in a horizontal row serving to guide the eye across a page: LEADER

dots or shadings used in photoengraving: BENDAY

dots over the second of two adjacent vowels to indicate it is pronounced separately (ö): DIERESIS

dots used to indicate the omission of words: SUSPENSION POINTS

dotted pattern woven into fabric: SHARK-SKIN

double, two or paired: BINARY

double dagger symbol used in printing (‡): DIESIS

double dealer: AMBIDEXTER

double dealing, trickery: DUPLICITY

double image, blot: MACKLE

double meaning: AMBIGUOUS

double meaning, ambiguous, uncertain in origin or character, dubious: EQUIVOCAL

double meaning attributable to grammatical looseness: AMPHIBOLOGY

double or become doubled: GEMINATE

double or twofold: DUPLÉ

double pulse beat with each heartbeat: DICROTIC

double tablet, picture or carving, often depicting a religious subject: DIPTYCH

double vision: DIPLOPIA

doubling of a syllable or sound in a word: REDUPLICATION

doubling the stakes in gambling, to recover previous losses: MARTINGALE

doughnut in elongated, twisted shape: CRULLER

doubt, qualm, apprehension: MISGIVING

doubter: SKEPTIC

doubtful: DUBIOUS

doubtful state: DUBIETY

doubtfulness: INCERTITUDE

doubting, disbelieving: INCREDULOUS

doubting, resisting, ignoring attitude: NEGATIVISM

dowdy, sometimes ill-tempered woman: FRUMP

down in spirits, dejected: DISPIRITED

down in the dumps, down in the mouth: DOLDRUMS

down in the mouth: CHAPFALLEN

down to earth, practical rather than speculative: PRAGMATIC

downcast: DISPIRITED

downhearted, depressed: DISPIRITED

downy, covered with soft fine hair: LANUGINOUS

dowry, woman's marriage portion: DOT

drab, frowny, not smartly dressed: DOWDY

draft: CONSCRIPTION

drag in the mud, lag, follow slowly: DRABBLE

drag or haul: SCHLEP

drapery or board across the top of a window: VALANCE

draw, paint, engrave with dots instead of lines: STIPPLE

draw a line around: CIRCUMSCRIBE

draw back, as claws: RETRACT

draw forth, call, or summon: EVOKE

draw forth, evoke, bring to light: ELICIT

draw or scribble aimlessly: DOODLE

draw or a tie, as in a game: STANDOFF

drawback, burden: IMPEDIMENTA

drawing a conclusion, based on reasoning from general to particular: DEDUCTION

drawing to create the illusion of depth and distance while keeping the proper proportions: FORESHORTEN

drawing together, reconciliation: RAPPROCHEMENT

drawn-out speech or writing: LONG-WINDED

- dread, abnormal and persistent, of a particular thing: PHOBIA (and see listing under that word)
- dreaded or hated object or person: BÊTE NOIRE
- dream interpreter: ONEIROCRITIC
- dreamer or visionary: FANTAST
- dreamlike, visionary: HYPNAGOGIC
- dreamy repose caused by smoking narcotics: KEF
- dregs of wine or liquor: LEES
- dregs or lees, refuse grain from breweries and distilleries: DRAFF
- drench or stain, especially with blood: IMBRUE
- dress fussily: PRIMP
- dress hanging straight from the shoulders: CHEMISE
- dress showily, primp: PREEN
- dress up or decorate: TITIVATE
- dressed negligently or partially: DISHABILLE
- dressing in garments of the opposite sex, a compulsion to do so: TRANSVESTITISM
- dressing room for a woman: BOUDOIR
- dressmaker, male: COUTURIER
- dribbling of saliva: SLAVER
- drink: IMBIBE
- drink, given to: BIBULOUS
- drink and play, carefree existence: BEER AND SKITTLES
- drink greedily or to excess: GUZZLE
- drink heartily: QUAFF
- drink of mild nature to wash down hard liquor: CHASER
- drink or eat greedily, gorge: INGURGITATE
- drink sparingly: ABSTEMIOUS
- drink that is drugged: MICKEY FINN
- drinkable: POTABLE
- drinking bowl or its contents: JORUM
- drinking cup or goblet: MAZER
- drive a sharp stake through: IMPALE
- drive away, dispel: DISSIPATE
- drive off, dispel, scatter: DISPERSE
- drive away or remove, as by scattering: DISPEL
- drive back, ward off: REPEL
- drive or force to action, urge on: IMPEL
- drive out of hiding: FERRET
- drivel, incoherent talk: MAUNDER
- driving force: IMPETUS
- driving too closely behind another vehicle: TAILGATING
- droop, hang loosely: LOLL
- droop, weaken: FLAG
- droop gradually, pine, weaken: LANGUISH
- droop or hang down loosely: LOP
- drop heavily and clumsily, flop: FLUMP
- drop of liquid, in pharmacy: GUTTA
- drop or plunge straight down: PLUMMET
- dropping of sounds or letters from the middle of a word: SYNCOPE
- dropping a sound at the end of a word: APOCOPE
- dropping the initial letter or sound in a word: APHERESIS
- dropping to earth of particles after a nuclear explosion: FALLOUT
- drowning as a form of execution: NOYADE
- drowsy: SOMNOLENT
- drudge, one who hires himself out to do routine or tedious work: HACK
- drug salesman: DETAIL MAN
- drug that is incapable of doing harm or good: ADIAPHOROUS
- drug that overcomes effects of sedatives: ANALEPTIC
- drug withdrawal: COLD TURKEY
- drugs as a science: PHARMACOLOGY
- drum: TAMBOUR
- drum, small and double-headed, with a wire string across the bottom: SNARE DRUM
- drum in the form of a hollow hemisphere with a parchment top: KETTLEDRUM
- drum or tap monotonously: THRUM
- drum or trumpet signal for a parley: CHAMADE
- drumbeat with two sticks striking almost simultaneously: FLAM
- drumhead with jingles in its rim: TAMBOURINE
- drumlike: TYMPANIC
- drumming continuously: TATTOO
- drunk: BESOTTED
- drunk: INEBRIATED
- drunkard: TOPER
- drunken, gluttonous: CRAPULENT
- drunken revelry: BACCHANAL
- drunk-making: INTOXICANT
- dry: BRUT
- dry, lacking interest, naive, barren, insipid: JEJUNE
- dry or roast by exposing to heat: TORREFY
- dry up, make thirsty: PARCH
- dry up or out: EXSICCATE
- drying: SICCATIVE
- dryness: XERIC

dualism in theology, belief in two co-equal gods: DITHEISM

dubious use of ploys to gain an advantage: GAMESMANSHIP

dueling sword with sharp point and no cutting edge: EPEE

dull: LACKLUSTER

dull, commonplace: STODGY

dull, depressed or bored state of mind: DOLDRUMS

dull, heavy, lethargic: LOGY

dull, inactive, sluggish: TORPID

dull, insensible, not acute: OBTUSE

dull, lifeless, insipid, flat: VAPID

dull, light-resistant: OPAQUE

dull, mediocre, prosaic: PEDESTRIAN

dull, monotonous: HUMDRUM

dull, ordinary, uninspired: PROSAIC

dull, tasteless, flat, bland, vapid: INSIPID

dull, trite: BANAL

dull, zestless: PERFUNCTORY

dull or become stupid: HEBETATE

dulled from overindulgence, worn-out, exhausted, sated: JADED

dullness, apathy, sluggishness: LETHARGY

dullness, stagnation, weakness, fatigue, dreaminess, spiritlessness: LANGUOR

dullness, yawning: OSCITANCY

dupe or tool: CAT'S-PAW

dumbfound, perplex, bewilder: NONPLUS

duplicate: DITTO

duplicate of a work made by the original, close copy: REPLICA

duplication of a word for rhetorical effect: GEMINATION

durable, binding: INDISSOLUBLE

durable, permanent: PERDURABLE

durable products such as automobiles, refrigerators, furniture: HARD GOODS

dusky, dark complexioned: SWARTHY

dusky, gloomy, depressed: SOMBER

dusty, powdery: PULVERULENT

dwarf, midget: HOMUNCULUS

dwel or stay temporarily: SOJOURN

dwelling: ABODE

dwelling, house, home, abode: DOMICILE

dwelling that is wretched and small, shed:

HOVEL

dying work, as of a writer or composer:

SWAN SONG

E

eager curiosity or excitement: AGOG
 eager for food in quantity: VORACIOUS
 ear deformed by blows: CAULIFLOWER
 EAR
 ear diseases, as a study: OTOLOGY
 ear reception: AURAL
 earache: OTALGIA
 earliest stages of development, beginnings: INCUNABULA
 earlike projections for holding something, as a pot or kettle: LUGS
 early edition of a newspaper: BULLDOG
 EDITION
 early in the morning: MATUTINAL
 early morning: COCKCROW
 earnest, warm, glowing: FERVENT
 earnestly appeal: ADJURE
 earnings of common stock as affected by bond interest and preferred stock dividends: LEVERAGE
 ears ringing: TINNITUS
 earth inhabitant: TELLURIAN
 earth study of materials, their structure and characteristics: GEOGNOSY
 earthenware, glazed, usually blue and white: DELFT
 earthenware piece in broken condition: POTSHERD
 earthly: TERRESTRIAL
 earthquake: TEMBLOR
 earthquake measuring scale: RICHTER SCALE
 earthquake phenomena, as a science: SEISMOLOGY
 earth's physical structure, as a science: GEOLOGY
 earth's structure and the forces that change it, as a scientific study: TECTONICS
 earth's surface above sea level treated as a science: HYP SOGRAPHY

easily: HANDILY
 easily achieved, ready or quick in performance, skillful: FACILE
 easing, as of discord, between nations: DETENTE
 easterly wind in Mediterranean regions: LEVANter
 eastern hemisphere: ORIENT
 easy mark: GULL
 easy to approach: AFFABLE
 eat, especially with someone: BREAK BREAD
 eat greedily: ENGORGE
 eat ravenously: GUTTLE
 eat or drink greedily, gorge: INGURGITATE
 eat sparingly: ABSTEMIOUS
 eat voraciously or gluttonously: GOURMANDISE
 eater and drinker with discriminating taste: GOURMET
 eater of much food: TRENCHERMAN
 eater to excess: GOURMAND
 eating as an art: GASTRONOMY
 eating at the same table: COMMENSAL
 eating implements: CUTLERY
 eating or wearing away of a substance: CORROSION
 eating to excess: GLUTTONOUS
 eating many foods: POLYPHAGIA
 eats all kinds of food both animal and vegetable: OMNIVOROUS
 ebb, flowing back: REFLUX
 ebbing, flowing back: REFLUENT
 eccentric or queer: CRANKY
 eccentric, irregular, nonconforming: ER-RATIC
 ecclesiastical council: SYNOD
 ecclesiastical cutting of one off from fellowship of a church: EXCOMMUNICATION

ecclesiastical property transferred to laymen: IMPROPRIATED
 echo, response: REPLICATION
 echoic as pertaining to words: ONOMATOPOEIC or ONOMATOPOETIC
 echoing loudly: REBOANT
 ecology, basic unit including both organisms and environment: ECOSYSTEM
 ecology—nonavailable water of the soil: ECHARD
 ecology—plant adjustment to a new habitat: ECESIS
 ecology—soil rather than climate as an affective factor: EDAPHIC
 ecology—zone wherein two different species contend for dominance: ECOTONE
 ecology of plant and animal communities: SYNECOLOGY
 economic self-sufficiency: AUTARKY
 economic union of Belgium, Netherlands and Luxembourg: BENELUX
 economic union of Western Europe: COMMON MARKET
 economical, chary, stingy: SPARE
 economy or thrift in managing: HUSBANDRY
 economy spur of governmental expenditures financed by borrowing: DEFICIT FINANCING
 ecstasy of a religious nature: THEOPATHY
 edge of fabric so woven as not to ravel: SELVAGE
 edge of paper that resembles the ragged edge of handmade paper: DECKLE EDGE
 edge or outer part: PERIPHERY
 edge that slopes: BEVEL
 edging, selvage, strip, as of cloth: LIST
 edging decorated with a series of indentations: ENGRAILED
 edging of small loops of ribbon or thread: PICOT
 edible: ESCULENT
 edit: REDACT
 edit prudishly: BOWDLERIZE
 editing of a text by reference to varying manuscripts: RECENSION
 editor of manuscripts in newspaper or publishing house: COPY EDITOR
 educated people or individuals collectively: INTELLIGENTSIA
 eel fishing by putting bait into the eels' hiding places: SNIGGLING
 eel-shaped: ANGUILLIFORM

erie, strange, weird, unnatural: UNCANNY
 efface, destroy completely: OBLITERATE
 effect, result: RAMIFICATION
 effect that balances another effect: COUNTERPOISE
 effective: POTENT
 effective, moving, working: OPERATIVE
 effective at a specified past time: RETROACTIVE
 effeminate: EMASCULATED
 effeminate, sexless: EPICENE
 efficacy, potency: VIRTUE
 efficient quickness: DISPATCH
 eggs baked with crumbs in a buttered dish: SHIRRED EGGS
 eggs cooked and served on toast spread with anchovy paste: SCOTCH WOODCOCK
 eggs laid at one time: CLUTCH
 egg white: ALBUMEN
 egg-white glaze: GLAIR
 egg yolk: VITELLUS
 eight tones above or below a given one: OCTAVE
 eight-year period: OCTENNIAL
 elaborate, speak or write more fully: EXPATIATE
 elasticity, buoyancy: RESILIENCE
 elate or excite to a degree of frenzy: INTOXICATE
 elated: COCK-A-HOOP
 elderly woman of dignified bearing and wealth: DOWAGER
 eldest or senior member of a group: DOYEN
 elect, choose: OPT
 election held between regular ones: BY-ELECTION
 election that finally decides: RUN-OFF
 electioneer on a political trip: STUMP
 electric strength, unit that measures: AMPERE
 electromotive force measured in volts: VOLTAGE
 electronic devices without moving parts or heated elements: SOLID STATE
 electronic solid-state device that controls flow of current without use of a vacuum: TRANSISTOR
 element that causes a thing to be what it is: FACTOR
 elemental, original, primitive: PRIMORDIAL
 elementary: ABECEDARIAN
 elementary: RUDIMENTARY
 elementary instruction: PROPAEDEUTIC

- elephant in a state of sexual frenzy: MUST
elephant keeper and driver, in India: MA-
HOUT
elevator for conveying food from floor to
floor: DUMBWAITER
eleven-sided figure: HENDECAGON
elf or sprite: PIXIE
elite group within an organization: CADRE
elk, large North American deer: WAPITI
emaciate, become thin: MACERATE
emaciated: TABETIC
emaciated, haggard, hollow-eyed,
gloomy, desolate: GAUNT
emaciation: MARASMUS
emanate, exude: EFFUSE
emanation: EFFLUX
emanation, especially foul-smelling exha-
lation from decaying matter: EFFLU-
VIUM
emancipate, liberate, free: MANUMIT
emasculate: CASTRATE
embarrassed: ABASHED
embarrassing occurrence: CONTRETEMPS
embarrassment at what one has done him-
self: CHAGRIN
embed a material such as gold or ivory
into a surface so as to form a decora-
tive pattern: INLAY
embellish, as ornamental lines or figures:
FLOURISH
embellish a speech or writing with quota-
tions, etc.: LARD
embellishment: GARNITURE
embezzle, steal funds, especially public
funds: PECULATE
embezzle or misappropriate: DEFALCATE
embitter: ACERBATE
embitter: ENVENOM
embitter, stir enduring ire: RANKLE
embodiment of an attribute or a quality in
a person: PERSONIFICATION
embroidery at the ankle of a sock or
stocking: CLOCK
embroidery that is rich: ORPHREY
emerge, come forth into the open: DE-
BOUCH
emergency or temporary as applied to a
ship's rigging: JURY-RIGGED
emergency program that has top priority:
CRASH PROGRAM
emotion, subjective aspect of: AFFECT
emotional in appeal: AFFECTIVE
emotional for effect, theatrical: HIS-
TRIONIC
emotional intensity, ardor: FERVOR
emotional or mental block: INHIBITION
emotional or sentimental, tearfully so:
MAUDLIN
emotional shock, injury: TRAUMA
emotionless: APATHETIC
employer who is excessively demanding:
SLAVE DRIVER
employer's barring employes from work
until they accept his terms: LOCKOUT
employes tend to rise to their level of in-
competence: PETER PRINCIPLE
employment of more workers than needed:
FEATHERBEDDING
empower, authorize: WARRANT
emptiness: VACUITY
empty compliment or flattery: FLUMMERY
empty tomb: CENOTAPH
enact, establish, decree: ORDAIN
enamel-and-metal work: CLOISONNE
enamel- or lacquer-ornamented metalware:
TOLE
enchantress who changed men into swine:
CIRCE
enclose within walls, imprison, confine,
surround: IMMURE
encourage: ABET
encourage: HEARTEN
encouragement, exhortation: HORTATORY
encroach, infringe: IMPINGE
end a parliamentary session: PROROGUE
end, cease: SURCEASE
end, termination: EXPIRY
end of the world: CRACK OF DOOM
end-of-the-world battle between good and
evil: ARMAGEDDON
end or withdraw by plan: PHASE OUT
end unexpectedly: ABORT
ending of debate in parliamentary proce-
dure: CLOSURE, CLOTURE
ending of one or more syllables affixed to
a word: SUFFIX
ending section of a book or a play that
adds commentary or explanation:
EPILOGUE
endless: INTERMINABLE
endless and difficult: SISYPHEAN
endowment: APPANAGE
endowment or gift, as of a church: PAT-
RIMONY
ends touching: ABUTTING
endurance, vigor, strength: STAMINA
endurance test: MARATHON
endurance test, painful experience: OR-
DEAL
energetic, in music: VIGOROSO

energy, enthusiasm: VERVE
 energy and matter, as a science: PHYSICS
 energy or force held as the basis for phenomena of the universe: DYNAMISM
 enfeebled, worn out by age or use: DECREPIT
 engine mounted on the rear of a small boat: OUTBOARD MOTOR
 English dessert consisting of spongecake soaked in wine and topped with jam, custard and whipped cream: TRIFLE
 engrave, cut into, carve: INCISE
 engraver of precious stones: LAPIDARY
 engross, dominate thoughts: PREOCCUPY
 engross, involve deeply: IMMERSE
 engrossed intensely: RAPT
 engulf, overpower, submerge: WHELM
 enigmatic, mysterious: INSCRUTABLE
 enigmatic, prophetic: ORACULAR
 enjoyment: DELECTION
 enjoyment of possessions: FRUITION
 enlarge: AGGRANDIZE
 enlarge a hole: REAM
 enlarge excessively, increase unduly, puff up: INFLATE
 enlargement: AMPLIFICATION OR AMPLIATION
 enlarging, growing, waxing: INCRESCENT
 enlighten, benefit, uplift: EDIFY
 enlighten, illuminate, light up, make clear: IRRADIATE
 enmity, malice: RANCOR
 enormous, hideous: MONSTROUS
 enormous, unwieldy, ponderous: ELEPHANTINE
 enormous, vast: PRODIGIOUS
 enrage, anger: INCENSE
 enraged, angry: IRATE
 enroll or register in a college or university as a candidate for a degree: MATRICULATE
 entangle, complicate, confuse: EMBRANGLEMENT
 entangle, intertwine, involve: IMPLICATE
 entanglement, complication, intertwining: INVOLUTION
 enter office or dignity: ACCEDE
 enter without leave or invitation: INTRUDE
 entertain, amuse, distract: DIVERT
 entertain, delight, give unusual pleasure: REGALE
 enthusiasm, dash, vivacity: ÉLAN
 enthusiasm, energy: VERVE
 enthusiasm, zest: GUSTO
 enthusiast: AFICIONADO

enthusiastic, fervent: ZEALOUS
 enthusiastic or excited, bubbling: EBULLIENT
 entice by flattery or guile, draw, cajole: INVEIGLE
 entire range of anything: GAMUT
 entirely: TOUT À FAIT
 entirely, altogether: IN TOTO
 entrance, going in: INGRESS
 entrance hall, lobby: FOYER
 entrance or gate: PORTAL
 entreating earnestly and humbly: SUPPLIANT
 entreaty or appeal for assistance: INVOCATION
 entreaty or prayer in behalf of others: INTERCESSION
 entry: ACCESS
 envelope markings used instead of stamps: INDICIA
 environment, setting: MILIEU
 environment in relation to organisms: ECOLOGY
 environmental distinctiveness: AMBIENCE
 epidemic among animals: EPIZOOTIC
 episode that is minor: INCIDENT
 epithet or title substituted for proper name: ANTONOMASIA
 equal before the law, or in ability or social position: PEER
 equal in size: COMMENSURATE
 equal intervals of time: ISOCHRONAL
 equal number of parts: ISOMEROUS
 equal or equivalent: TANTAMOUNT
 equal political power in a government: ISOCRACY
 equality, social and political: EGALITARIAN
 equality in dimensions or measurements: ISOMETRIC
 equality in rank, power, condition, etc.: PARITY
 equality of racial and ethnic groups: INTEGRATION
 equilibrium of an organism: HOMEOSTASIS
 equipment, gear, personal effects: PARAPHERNALIA
 equivalent or equal: TANTAMOUNT
 equivocate, be evasive: TERGIVERSATE
 equivocate, lie: PREVARICATE
 era, period, century: SIÈCLE
 eradicate, dislocate, uproot: DERACINATE
 erase, delete: EXPUNGE
 erase, destroy utterly, pull up by the roots, uproot, erase: ERADICATE

erase, rub out, cancel, obliterate: EFFACE
 erection of the penis as a persistent pathological condition: PRIAPISM
 ermine in its brown summer coat: STOAT
 erratic, unexpected: WAYWARD
 erring, wicked: PERVERSE
 erroneous name: MISNOMER
 erroneous placement of something in time: ANACHRONISM
 erroneous or misleading: FALLACIOUS
 error in reading or speaking lines: FLUFF
 error in speaking that is thought to disclose a person's true thinking: FREUD-
 IAN SLIP
 errorless, faultless, flawless: IMPECCABLE
 errors in a list: ERRATA
 escape from the law by secret departure: ABSCOND
 escape or avoid: ELUDE
 escort, attendants of a person of rank: RET-
 INUE
 essence of a legal complaint or accusation: GRAVAMEN
 essence of something: QUIDDITY
 essence of something in concentrated form: QUINTESENCE
 essence or abstract quality of anything: DISTILLATION
 essential, indispensable: SINE QUA NON
 essential, whole: INTEGRAL
 essential, inherent: INTRINSIC
 essential element: INHERENT
 essential qualities of anything: DISTILLA-
 TION
 essential source of life, actions, energy: ANIMA
 essential theme or part, gist: PITH
 established firmly, deep-rooted: IN-
 GRAINED
 established firmly by long continance: IN-
 VETERATE
 established rule or principle: CANON
 esteem, high regard: REPUTE
 estimate based on a guess: GUESSTIMATE
 estimate from evidence at hand, project on the basis of facts already known: EX-
 TRAPOLATE
 estranged, alienated: DISAFFECTED
 eternity or period of time that is in-
 calculable: EON
 ethical consequences of all one's acts
 (Buddhism and Hinduism): KARMA
 ethics or science of moral obligation: DEONTOLOGY

etiquette in diplomacy: PROTOCOL
 Eucharist as given just before death: VI-
 ATICUM
 eulogy or praise formally delivered: EN-
 COMIUM
 European Economic Community: COMMON
 MARKET
 evangelist preacher: REVIVALIST
 evasion of main point by stressing a trivial
 point: QUIBBLE
 evasion of painful emotions or unaccept-
 able impulses by adjusting behavior
 or mental attitude: DEFENSE MECHA-
 NISM
 evasive action to gain time: TEMPORIZA-
 TION
 even on the same line or with a margin: FLUSH
 even beat as in music or speech: CADENCE
 evening prayers or services: VESPER
 evening star: HESPERUS
 evergreen: INDECIDUOUS
 every two weeks: BIWEEKLY
 everyday speech, popular, accepted: VULGATE
 everything included: OVERALL
 everywhere at once: UBIQUITOUS
 everywhere present simultaneously: OM-
 NIPRESENCE
 evidence that a defendant is compelled to
 disclose in a trial or hearing: DIS-
 COVERY
 evidence that if unrefuted establishes the
 fact alleged: PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE
 evident, manifest, obvious: PATENT
 evident, obvious, plainly apparent: MANI-
 FEST
 evident, open, unconcealed: OVERT
 evil, repulsive, flagrantly bad: VILE
 evil, vile: NEFARIOUS
 evil, wicked, odious, atrocious: HEINOUS
 evil eye protection: AMULET
 evil notoriety: INFAMY
 evil person: SHAITAN
 evildoer, criminal: MALEFACTOR
 evildoer, villain: MISCREANT
 evoke, draw forth, bring to light: ELICIT
 evolution of any animal or plant group: PHYLOGENY
 exact, accurate: PRECISE
 exact, honest: SCRUPULOUS
 exact, precise, accurate: NICE
 exact, scrupulous observance of forms: PUNCTILIOUS

exact copy or reproduction: FACSIMILE
 exact words of the original: LITERAL
 exaggerate a narrative with fictitious details: EMBROIDER
 exaggerated sense of buoyancy and vigor: EUPHORIA
 exaggeration or overstatement intended for effect and not to be taken seriously: HYPERBOLE
 exalting human to divine status: APOTHEOSIS
 examination of something that has already happened: POST-MORTEM
 examination of tissue removed from a living organism: BIOPSY
 examination or discussion that is detailed: CANVASS
 examine carefully: SCRUTINIZE
 examine or analyze minutely, sift: WINDOW
 example or case: INSTANCE
 examine by feeling or touching: PALPATE
 examine or read thoroughly, scrutinize: PERUSE
 examine or scrutinize carefully: TRAVERSE
 example of excellence: PARAGON
 example or model: PARADIGM
 excavation for archeological purposes: DIG
 excavations, study of, as history: ARCHEOLOGY
 exceed, excel: OUTSTRIP
 exceed a limit: TRANSCEND
 excel: TRANSCEND
 excel, beat, surpass: TRUMP
 excel, exceed: OUTSTRIP
 excellence exemplified: PARAGON
 excellence or exceptional quality, choice: VINTAGE
 excellent or fine: COPESETIC
 exercises to promote grace and health: CALISTHENICS
 excerpts or selections from literary works: ANALECTS
 excess, abundance beyond need: SUPERFLUITY
 excess in eating or drinking: SURFEIT
 excess word or phrase: PLEONASM
 excessive: INORDINATE
 excessive, unrestrained: WANTON
 excessive or insincere: FULSOME
 excessive beyond usual limits: EXORBITANT
 excessive or extreme: INTEMPERATE
 excessively: UNDULY

exchange, as ideas: INTERCHANGE
 exchange by two countries of concessions: RECIPROCITY
 exchange of something for something else: QUID PRO QUO
 excite, enliven, stimulate: QUICKEN
 excite, exhilarate, intoxicate: INEBRIATE
 excite, rouse to action, stimulate: GALVANIZE
 excite, stimulate, raise the spirits of: ELATE
 excite, stimulate, sharpen: WHET
 excite or elate to a degree of frenzy: INTOXICATE
 excited, confused, hasty: HECTIC
 excited to a feverish pitch: FRENETIC
 excitement that is great and intense: WHITE HEAT
 exciting or producing similar reactions in others: INFECTIOUS
 exclaim, discharge suddenly and quickly: EJACULATE
 exclaim loudly, shout, bawl: VOCIFERATE
 exclamation, often profane: EXPLETIVE
 exclamation, usually one word: INTERJECTION
 exclude, make impossible, shut out: PRECLUDE
 exclude, shut out: OSTRACIZE
 exclude from sacraments and solemn services, as in the Roman Catholic Church: INTERDICT
 exclusive control of a product or service: MONOPOLY
 exclusive set: CLIQUE
 excrement: FECES
 excrete waste matter: DEFECATE
 excusable, pardonable, as a fault: VENIAL
 excuse or exempt, as from a regulation: DISPENSE
 excuse or reason for being: RAISON D'ETRE
 excuse or try to excuse from blame: EXTENUATE
 excuse that clears from censure, criticism or suspicion: EXCULPATION
 excuse that is not quite honest: SALVO
 execute or attack with a cord or metal collar, which is tightened: GARROTE
 exemption as from a rule or law: DISPENSATION
 exemption from local law granted to members of the diplomatic corps: DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY
 exemption from obligation or penalty, re-

- sistance to harmful influence or disease: IMMUNITY
 exemption from penalties or liabilities, compensation for loss or damage: INDEMNITY
 exemption or freedom from punishment, harm or unpleasant consequences: IMPUNITY
 exhausted, helpless, lying flat: PROSTRATE
 exhibit in which modeled figures are set in a naturalistic foreground, which blends into a painted background: DIORAMA
 exhibition or parade that is spectacular: PAGEANT
 exhilarate, excite: INEBRIATE
 exhortation, encouragement: HORTATORY
 existing, surviving: EXTANT
 exit, or going out: EGRESS
 exiled person: EXPATRIATE
 expand, grow, increase step by step: ESCALATE
 expand, stretch out, swell: DISTEND
 expand, widen, swell: DILATE
 expand a business by increasing the variety of its products: DIVERSIFY
 expanding with age: ACCRESCENCE
 expectorated matter: SPUTUM
 expedient and wise: POLITIC
 expedition or journey: SAFARI
 expenditures limited or regulated, as by law: SUMPTUARY
 expense account: SWINDLE SHEET
 expenses or continuous costs of operating a business: OVERHEAD
 expense allowance for each day: PER DIEM
 experience alone as the source of knowledge: EMPIRICISM
 experiment subject: GUINEA PIG
 expert: ADROIT
 expert: MAVEN, MAVIN
 expert in matters of art and taste: CONNOISSEUR
 expert on recorded music: DISCOPHILE
 expertness, manual skill: HANDINESS
 explain, make clear: INTERPRET
 explain actions or thoughts on rational grounds, which may not be the real motives: RATIONALIZE
 explain away: GLOZE
 explain away: RESOLVE
 explain or interpret: EXPLICATE
 explainer or promoter: EXPONENT
 explanation that is detailed: EXPLICATION
 explanation of a word, passage or work: EXEGESIS
 explanatory description or caption on a chart, map or illustration: LEGEND
 explanatory note, commentary: GLOSS
 explicit, most accurate and complete: DEFINITIVE
 explode suddenly and with violence: DETONATE
 exploration of enemy positions: RECONNAISSANCE
 explosive effect: BRISANCE
 explosive force of a thousand tons of TNT: KILOTON
 explosive sounds, or throwing off small particles as by frying meat: SPLUTTER
 explosive that is trinitrotoluene: TNT
 expose actual or alleged corruption: MUCKRAKE
 expose to the sun as for bleaching: INSOLATE
 exposure to risk to achieve some end: BRINKMANSHIP
 express by gestures: GESTICULATE
 expurgate: BOWDLERIZE
 extemporize: AD LIB
 extend, spread out: SPLOY
 extended to great subtleness: FINE-DRAWN
 extension: AMPLIFICATION OR AMPLIATION
 extent, scope, range: PURVIEW
 extenuate, alleviate: PALLIATE
 extermination or destruction of an entire people or national group: GENOCIDE
 extinct or dead: DEFUNCT
 extinguish or satisfy thirst: QUENCH
 extirpate, uproot, dislocate, eradicate: DERACINATE
 extort: EXACT
 extort or swindle to get goods or money: FLAY
 extra day in leap year: BISEXTILE
 extra something given beyond obligation: LAGNIAPPE
 extra vowel inserted into word: ANAPTYXIS
 extract or passage, especially from the Bible: PERICOPE
 extraneous, superfluous: SUPEREROGATORY
 extraordinary happening: PHENOMENON
 extrasensory perception of distant objects: TELESTHESIA
 extravagance as in entertaining or in style of living: LUCULLAN

extravagance to impress: CONSPICUOUS
CONSUMPTION

extravagant, pompous: HIGHFALUTIN

extravagant, wasteful, lavish: PRODIGAL

extravagant ornamentation: BAROQUE

extravagantly praise: ADULATE

extreme or excessive: INTEMPERATE

extrinsic: ADVENTITIOUS

exude, emanate: EFFUSE

exult over another's bad luck: GLOAT

eye, make eyes at suggestively: OGLE

eye disease marked by pressure within the
eyeball: GLAUCOMA

eye disorder in which both eyes cannot be
focused simultaneously on the same
spot: STRABISMUS

eye examination to determine response to
light and shadow: SKIASCOPY

eye examiner: OPTOMETRIST

eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth: RE-
TALIATION

eye in which the iris is light-colored:

WALLEYE

eye or sight: OCULAR

eye sees an object double: DIPLOPIA

eyebrows bushy and prominent: BEETLE-
BROWED

eyeglass dealer: OPTICIAN

eyeglasses that grip the bridge of the nose:
PINCE-NEZ

eyeglasses with handle into which they
may be folded: LORGNETTE

eyeglasses with three-part lenses: TRIFO-
CALS

eyeglasses with two-part lenses: BIFOCALS
eyelet of metal: GROMMET

eyes, as a medical study: OPHTHALMOL-
OGY

eyes dark and velvety: SLOE-EYED

eyes see what appear to be specks or
threads: MUSCAE VOLITANTES

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fable or tale with a moral: APOLOGUE
 fabric edge so woven as not to ravel: SEL-
 VAGE
 fabric gathered in parallel rows: SHIRRING
 fabric piece, usually triangular, inserted in
 a garment for roomier fit: GUSSET
 fabric sample: SWATCH
 fabric surface of velvet, plush or cordu-
 roy: PILE
 fabric with a soft pile: VELOUR
 fabric with fibers that make the surface
 fuzzy: NAPPED
 fabric woven with a dotted pattern:
 SHARKSKIN
 fabrication, fiction: FIGMENT
 face or facial expression: VISAGE
 face that is pale and sallow: WHEYFACE
 face to face: VIS-À-VIS
 face upward, lying on the back: SUPINE
 face-down lying position: PRONE
 face-to-face meeting: CONFRONTATION
 facial contour or feature, distinguishing
 characteristic: LINEAMENT
 facial expression indicative of pain or an-
 noyance: GRIMACE
 facial features regarded as clues to charac-
 ter: PHYSIOGNOMY
 facile, too glib: PAT
 facilitate, quicken, speed up: EXPEDITE
 facing toward one: OBLVERSE
 factual condition as distinguished from
 legal condition: DE FACTO
 fail, sink, collapse: FOUNDER
 fail disastrously: COME A CROPPER
 fail to carry out a mission: ABORT
 fail to keep a promise: RENEGE
 failure in duty, willful omission or neg-
 lect: DERELICTION
 failure or neglect to meet an obligation:
 DEFAULT

failure that is complete or humiliating: FI-
 ASCO
 failure to realize one's intentions: MIS-
 CARRIAGE
 faint, hidden, unclear: OBSCURE
 fair, disinterested: IMPARTIAL
 fair, impartial: UNBIASED
 fair, impartial, reasonable: EQUITABLE
 fairness, impartiality, justness: EQUITY
 fairy, elf, goblin: SPRITE
 faithful devotion to obligations: FIDELITY
 faithful follower: MYRMIDON
 faithful forever: SEMPER FIDELIS
 faithfulness, obligation owed, loyalty:
 FEALTY
 falconry term for the short strap on each
 leg of a hawk, used for attaching a
 leash: JESS
 fall or cave in, sink, collapse, fail:
 FOUNDER
 fall straight down, plunge: PLUMMET
 fall that is heavy: CROPPER
 fall upon, strike against: IMPINGE
 falling behind, slow; a straggler: LAGGARD
 falling objects always roll to the most in-
 accessible spot: BERNSTEIN'S FIRST
 LAW
 falling off or shedding as petals, leaves,
 fruit: DECIDUOUS
 false, artificially invented, not real: FICTI-
 TIOUS
 false, fraudulently invented: TRUMPED-UP
 false, not genuine: SPURIOUS
 false, ridiculous or self-contradictory
 statement: PARADOX
 false appearance, pretense: GUISE
 false conception or deceptive appearance:
 ILLUSION
 false charges: ASPERSIONS
 false front: FACADE

- false pathos: BATHOS
 false sentimentality: MAWKISHNESS
 false step, mistake, error especially in etiquette: FAUX PAS
 false story circulated for political purposes: ROORBACK
 false story or rumor: CANARD
 falsehood: FABRICATION
 falsehood, deception, humbug, sham: FLAM
 false or malicious written statement or graphic representation that damages a person's reputation: LIBEL
 falsetto and normal chest tones alternated in song: YODEL
 falsify or misrepresent: BELIE
 fame, celebrity: RENOWN
 familiar phrase or person that represents a type: BYWORD
 family name: COGNOMEN
 family name: PATRONYMIC
 family or branch of a family: STIRPS
 family or kindred, collectively: COUSINRY
 family tree, descent of an individual from a certain ancestor: GENEALOGY
 famous: RENOWNED
 famous, distinguished: ILLUSTRIOUS
 fan: AFICIONADO
 fanatic, partisan to excess: ZEALOT
 fanatical, raging: RABID
 fanatical enthusiast, one possessed by evil spirits: ENERGUMEN
 fanciful humor, caprice: WHIMSY
 fanciful idea or notion that emerges suddenly: WHIM
 fanciful thought or expression: CONCEIT
 fancy trappings, finery: REGALIA
 fanfare, as of trumpets: FLOURISH
 fan-shaped structure: FLABELLUM
 fantastic: CHIMERICAL
 farewell: ADIEU
 farewell: VALE
 farewell drink: STIRRUP CUP
 farewell speech: VALEDICTORY
 farm on which vegetables are grown for market: TRUCK FARM
 farm operated cooperatively: COLLECTIVE
 farming: HUSBANDRY
 farming or rural affairs: GEORGIC
 farseeing: PRESCIENT
 farsightedness as an abnormal condition of the eye: HYPERMETROPIA
 farsightedness that accompanies aging: PRESBYOPIA
 farthest possible point: ULTIMA THULE
 fascinate, beguile: INTRIGUE
 fascinating, enchanting: IRRESISTIBLE
 fashionable: DE RIGUEUR
 fashionable, wealthy people: JET SET
 fast time in music: ALLEGRO
 fasten firmly: RIVET
 fasten or tie together: COLLIGATE
 faster than the speed of sound: SUPER-SONIC
 fastidious, overly exacting: FINICKY
 fasting or other ascetic practices to keep from sinning: MORTIFICATION
 fat: ADIPOSE
 fat, very stout: OBESE
 fat and red-faced: BLOWZY
 fat and short person: SQUAB
 fat of hogs in melted form: LARD
 fat or fleshy: CORPULENT
 fatal, deadly,: LETHAL
 fate: KISMET
 fatigue, spiritlessness, dreaminess, dullness, stagnation: LANGUOR
 father of newly born child in primitive tribes going through motions as if he had given birth, such as going to bed: COUVADE
 fatherly: PATERNAL
 fatlike substance: LIPOID
 fats of beef or mutton, used in making soap and candles: TALLOW
 fats that limit cholesterol level: POLYUNSATURATED
 fatten: BATTEN
 fatty buttocks, especially in women: STEATOPYGIA
 fatty substance linked to atherosclerosis: CHOLESTEROL
 faucet or valve used to drain off water or air: PETCOCK
 fault in character that is minor: FOIBLE
 fault or trivial sin: PECCADILLO
 faultfinder: MOMUS
 faultfinding: CAPTIOUS
 faultfinding: CENSORIOUS
 faultfinding: QUERULOUS
 faultfinding, berating: VITUPERATION
 faultless, blameless: UNIMPEACHABLE
 faultless, flawless, errorless: IMPECCABLE
 faulty or illogical reasoning: PARALOGISM
 favorable, mild, gentle: BENIGN
 favorably disposed, auspicious gracious: PROPITIOUS
 favoring one party, prejudiced, biased: PARTIAL

favoritism shown to relative in jobs: NEPOTISM
 fawn upon someone: ADULATE
 fawn, cower: CRINGE
 fawning, servile, overly obedient: OBSEQUIOUS
 fawning, servile person: TOADY
 fear, abnormal and persistent, of a particular thing: PHOBIA (and see listing under that word)
 fear, amazement or panic that is sudden and paralyzing: CONSTERNATION
 fear-inspiring, formidable: REDOUBTABLE
 fear of losing sexual power: APHANISIS
 fearful, timid: TIMOROUS
 fearful anxiety: TREPIDATION
 fearful feeling that something is about to happen: PRESENTIMENT
 fearful or timid, trembling: TREMULOUS
 fearless, bold, dauntless: INTREPID
 fearsome or awesome: FORMIDABLE
 feast, picnic or pleasure trip: JUNKET
 feather beginning to pierce the skin: PINFEATHER
 feathers on the neck of a rooster or pigeon or hairs on the neck of a dog: HACKLES
 feces, waste matter from bowels: EXCREMENT
 federal funds appropriated to help an official with his constituents: PORK BARREL
 federally regulated amount of credit that a bank may extend to a customer for the purchase of stock: REGULATION U
 fee paid to obtain the services of an attorney or a consultant: RETAINER
 feeble-minded: ANILE
 feeble-minded person: AMENT
 feed, support, rear, train: NURTURE
 feed or fodder for cattle: STOVER
 feed or supply to excess: SURFEIT
 feeding on other animals, exploiting others: PREDATORY
 feeding on vegetables, plant-eating: HERBIVOROUS
 feeding through a stomach tube: GAVAGE
 feel about with the hands, grope, sprawl, flounder: GRABBLE
 feel of a place or situation: AMBIENCE
 feel or examine by touching: PALPATE
 feeling sharing or emotion sharing with another: EMPATHY
 feign, conceal, disguise, make a false show of: DISSEMBLE

fellow member or colleague: CONFRERE
 fellowship: CAMARADERIE
 fellowship, association: SODALITY
 female and male sexual organs in one individual: HERMAPHRODITES
 female demon: SUCCUBUS
 female external genitals: PUDENDUM
 female figure forming a column or pillar: CARYATID
 female line of kinship: ENATE
 female line or maternal branch of family: DISTAFF SIDE
 female opera singer of note, prima donna: DIVA
 female professional singer: CANTATRICE
 female singer in the principal position: PRIMA DONNA
 femininity, womanhood: MULIEBRITY
 fence of rails crossed at ends so that the fence zigzags: WORM FENCE
 fence made up of strong stakes: APLISADE
 fence or wall placed in a ditch so as not to interfere with the view: HA-HA
 fermentation, as in brewing: ZYMOLYSIS
 ferocious, stubborn, defiant: TRUCULENT
 fertile: PROLIFIC
 fertile, fruitful: FERACIOUS
 fertile, fruitful, prolific: FECUND
 fertilize, saturate, permeate: IMPREGNATE
 fervid to an extreme, ardent: PERFERVID
 fester, form pus: SUPPURATE
 fetus killed: FETICIDE
 fetus that is malformed, monstrosity: TERATISM
 fetus's lodging place within the mother before birth: PLACENTA
 feud, usually a blood feud, involving families: VENDETTA
 fever: PYREXIA
 feverish: FEBRILE
 feverishly excited: FRENETIC
 feverless: AFEBRILE
 few words his mark: LACONIC
 fewer words than the original: ABRIDGEMENT
 fewness, small quantity: PAUCITY
 fickle: INCONSTANT
 fickle: SKITTISH
 fickle, changeable: MUTABLE
 fickle, frivolous, shallow: FLIGHTY
 fickle, unstable, fleeting, transient: VOLATILE
 fickle person, variable thing: WEATHERCOCK

fickleness, lightness, gaiety that is inappropriate, frivolity: LEVITY
 fiction, fabrication: FIGMENT
 fictitious: MYTHICAL
 fictitious name, pen name: PSEUDONYM
 fidgety, unruly, restless: RESTIVE
 field near a stable where horses are exercised: PADDOCK
 fiendish: DEMONIAIC
 fierce, harsh: FELL
 fierce, malicious, unruly: VICIOUS
 fierce, wild, unsociable: FAROUCHE
 fifth of a gallon, especially of liquor: FIFTH
 fight, brawl or dispute that is noisy: FRACAS
 fight, conflict, uproar, brawl: FRAY
 fight among people that is confused and noisy: MELEE
 fighter in an independent raiding band: GUERRILLA
 fighting in public: AFFRAY
 fighting over words, verbal contention: LOGOMACHY
 fighting with an imaginary foe: SCIAMACHY
 figure of speech, figurative language: TROPE
 figure of speech endowing inanimate things with human qualities: PERSONIFICATION
 figure of speech implying a comparison: METAPHOR
 figure of speech or construction in which a word modifying two or more words acquires different meanings: SYLLEPSIS
 figure of speech in which a word modifying two others relates correctly to one of them: ZEUGMA
 figure of speech in which an assertion is made by the negation of its opposite: LITOTES
 figure of speech in which an attribute or an associated term is substituted for the name of the thing itself: METONYMY
 figure of speech in which contradictory ideas are combined: OXYMORON
 figure of speech in which normal order of things or events is reversed: HYSTERON PROTERON
 figure of speech in which two nouns joined by "and" are used instead of noun and modifier: HENDIADYS
 figure of speech that describes an event as

happening before it could have happened: PROLEPSIS
 figure of speech that makes a comparison by use of "as" or "like": SIMILE
 filled, laden: FRAUGHT
 film director or maker with personal style: AUTEUR
 film documentary close to reality: CINÉMA VÉRITÉ
 film of part of a television series used for trial purposes: PILOT FILM
 film of tiny size for reproducing texts, pictures, etc.: MICROFILM, MICROFICHE
 filtering action: LEACH
 filth or indecency in art or literature: COPROLOGY
 filthy or foul sediment: FECULENCE
 final contestant of a team: ANCHORMAN
 final deciding election: RUN-OFF
 final lines of a poem, usually a dedication: ENVOY
 final unraveling or solution in a plot: DENOUEMENT
 finalism, final causes as studied in cosmology: TELEOLOGY
 financial: FISCAL
 fine change or gradation in meaning: NUANCE
 fine or excellent: COPESETIC
 fine point of behavior or etiquette: PUNCTILIO
 fine point or subtlety: NICETY
 finery, fancy trappings: REGALIA
 finger: DIGIT
 finger beside the little finger: RING FINGER
 finger snap or quick tap with the nail of a finger that has been snapped: FILLIP
 fingerless: ADACTYLOUS
 fingerprint: DACTYLOGRAM
 fingerprint ridge: WHORL
 fingertip infection that is painful: WHITLOW
 finicky, fussy: NIGGLING
 finish used to coat fabrics, paper or other surfaces: SIZE
 fire-breathing monster, part goat, lion and serpent: CHIMERA
 firecracker that burns with a spitting sound before exploding: SQUIB
 firefighter who parachutes into or near a forest fire: SMOKE JUMPER
 fireflies' fire: LUCIFERIN
 firelike: IGNEOUS
 fireplace or furnace floor: HEARTH

fireplace support for wood: ANDIRON

fireproof: INCOMBUSTIBLE

fireworks: PYROTECHNICS

fireworks that rotate, branched candlestick: GIRANDOLE

firm, dependable: STAUNCH

firm, durable: INDISSOLUBLE

firm, hard, obdurate: FLINTY

firm, solid, forthright: FOURSQUARE

firm, unshakable: IMPREGNABLE

firm foundation of anything: HARDPAN

firm in chewing, as spaghetti: AL DENTE

firmly established by long continuance: INVETERATE

firmly faithful, unwavering: STEADFAST

first, original, principal: PRIMAL

first in rank: PREMIER

first mention or suggestion: BROACH

first principle or fundamental: RUDIMENT

fish, as a branch of zoology: ICHTHYLOGY

fish basket used by anglers: CREEL

fish cured by splitting and drying in the air, without salting: STOCKFISH

fish eggs, especially in masses: SPAWN

fish group terms—see "creature terms"

fish or hunt illegally: POACH

fish resembling a sardine: SPRAT

fishing by dragging a hook and line near the surface: TROLLING

fissure or chasm, as in a glacier: CREVASSE

fissured or cracked, chinky: RIMOSE

fit of bad temper: TANTRUM

fit together, unify, bring together into a whole: INTEGRATE

fitness or agreement: CONGRUITY

fitting, as to proportion: COMMENSURATE

five-line stanza: CINQUAIN

five-year period: LUSTRUM

fix in place: IMMOBILIZE

fix the eyes or attention of: RIVET

fix upon a sharp stake: IMPALE

fixed, blank, uncomprehending: GLASSY

fixed, unchangeable: INFLEXIBLE

fixed amount, as of work to be done in a specified time: STINT

fixed idea: IDÉE FIXE

fixed in one place: STABLE

fixed price for a whole meal: PRIX FIXE

flabby, intellectually or morally: INVERTEBRATE

flag fixed to a crosspiece rather than a pole: GONFALON

flagrant, glaring, conspicuously bad:

EGREGIOUS

flaming, flaring: IGNESENT

flaming, said of food served flaming with ignited brandy or other liquor:

FLAMBÉ

flaring, flaming up: IGNESENT

flash like lightning: FULGURATE

flashy, cheap dress or ornamentation:

FRIPPERY

flat, bland, dull, tasteless: INSIPID

flat, broad piece: SLAB

flat, dull, lifeless, insipid: VAPID

flat, knifelike instrument for spreading, as plaster or cake icing: SPATULA

flat and open country: CHAMPAIGN

flatter or coax to persuade: WHEEDLE

flatter or wheedle: BLANDISH

flatter servilely: ADULATE

flatterer who is servile, parasite: SYCOPHANT

flattery contrived as a means of persuasion: SNOW JOB

flattery or empty compliment: FLUMMERY

flatulence remedy: CARMINATIVE

flavor, taste: SAPOR

flavor-enhancing chemical: MONOSODIUM GLUTAMATE

flavor or odor imbued in a substance: TINCTURE

flawless, errorless, faultless: IMPECCABLE

flawless, warranting no criticism: UNEXCEPTIONABLE

fleet of large merchant ships: ARGOSY

fleeting, transient, fickle, unstable: VOLATILE

fleeting, transitory: EVANESCENT

fleeting, quickly passing: FUGACIOUS

flesh-eating mammals: CARNIVORES

fleshly: CARNAL

fleshy or fat: CORPULENT

fleshy part below the lower jaw: JOWL

flexible, bendable: PLIABLE

flexible, easily changed: SUPPLE

flexible, pliable: MALLEABLE

flickering, radiating softly: LAMBENT

flighty, haughty: HOITY-TOITY

flighty, giddy, foolish: HAREBRAINED

flimsily built: JERRYBUILT

flimsy, delicate, thin: TENUOUS

flimsy, delicate substance: GOSSAMER

flippant, light style of writing or talk: PERSIFLAGE

flippantly humorous, jesting: FACETIOUS

flirt or act in a trifling manner: COQUET
 float, carry or move gently: WAFT
 floating cylinder or boat to support a temporary bridge: PONTOON
 floating objects on a body of water: FLOTSAM
 floating or swimming: NATANT
 floating wreckage: FLOTSAM
 flocking together, a crowd: CONFLUENCE
 flood, pertaining to, especially the flood at the time of Noah: DILUVIAL
 flood of the tide in an estuary: EAGRE
 flood or overwhelm with abundance or excess: INUNDATE
 floodlight used in making motion pictures: KLIEG LIGHT
 floors of inlaid woodwork: PARQUETRY
 florid, overelaborate: ROCOCO
 florid, showy, bombastic, ornate: FLAMBOYANT
 florid, showy, excessively ornamented: ORNATE
 flounder, splash: SLOSH
 flourish at the end of a signature: PARAPH
 flourish or mark after a signature: RUBRIC
 flow of water beneath and opposite to the surface current: UNDERTOW
 flower, bloom forth, blossom: EFFLORESCE
 flower and ornamental plant culture: FLORICULTURE
 flowering, flourishing: INFLORESCENCE
 flowerless: ANANTHOS
 flowers, in a bunch: BOUQUET
 flowery, excessively ornate: FLORID
 flowery, metaphorical: FIGURATIVE
 flowery speech or writing: EUPHUISM
 flowing and sweet sounding: MELLIFLOUS
 flowing back, ebb: REFLUX
 flowing back, ebbing: REFLUENT
 flowing in: INFLUENT
 flowing or a discharge: FLUX
 flowing out: EFFLUENCE
 flowing together: CONFLUENCE
 fluctuate, swing back and forth: OSCILLATE
 flushed, ruddy: FLORID
 fluster, excitement, bustle: POTHER
 flute with eleven finger holes and a plug, or fipple, near the mouthpiece: RECORDER
 fluted or crimped ornamentation, as along the edge of fabric: GOFFER
 flutter, beat rapidly: PALPITATE

flying, able to fly: VOLANT
 flying men's nervous disorder: AERONEURONIS
 foam, scum, froth: SPUME
 fodder, food suitable for horses and cattle: FORAGE
 fodder or feed for cattle: STOVER
 fog containing ice particles: POGONIP
 fog or mist: BRUME
 foggy, misty, indefinite: NUBILOUS
 foil, frustrate, obstruct: THWART
 fold of cloth doubled back and pressed flat: PLEAT
 folded backward, also to reply, to reproduce itself or oneself: REPLICATE
 folded fanlike: PLICATED
 foliage that has fallen in a forest: DUFF
 folk singers' meeting for a public performance: HOOTENANNY
 folkways or customs of a social group: MORES
 follies or vices attacked by ridicule or wit: SATIRE
 follow closely upon something: SUPERVENE
 follower or favorite who behaves servilely: MINION
 followers, retainers or attendants in a group: ENTOURAGE
 followers or companions in a group: COHORT
 following, as an effect or conclusion: CONSEQUENTIAL
 following in time: SUBSEQUENT
 fond of one's wife to excess or submissive to her: UXORIOUS
 fond of others' company: GREGARIOUS
 food: ALIMENT
 food: NUTRIMENT
 food, cheap and popular among Southern blacks: SOUL FOOD
 food, especially choice food: VIAND
 food, means of support, livelihood: SUSTENANCE
 food expert: EPICURE
 food for body or mind: ALIMENT
 food prepared by highly skilled chefs: HAUT CUISINE
 food reheated: RECHAUFFÉ
 food suitable for horses or cattle, fodder: FORAGE
 food that is coarse: ROUGHAGE
 fooled or cheated easily: GULLIBLE
 foolhardiness, heedlessness: TEMERITY

foolish, flighty, giddy: HAREBRAINED
 foolish, idiotic, stupid: FATUOUS
 foolish, stupid, brutish, unmoved: INSENSATE

foolish, talkative person: BLATHERSKITE
 foolish appearance given to something or someone: STULTIFIED

foolish love, unreasoning passion: INFATUATION

foolish or excessive affection: DOTAGE

foolish or senseless talk: DRIVEL

foolishly wasteful, involved procedure: RIGMAROLE

foot and toenail treatment: PEDICURE

foot race 26 miles long: MARATHON

foot section above the arch between the ankle and the toes: INSTEP

foot that is flat and turned out: SPLAYFOOT

foot treatment: PODIATRY

football area between goal line and end line where a touchdown may be scored: END ZONE

football defensive player stationed just behind the linemen: LINEBACKER

football field corner at goal line: COFFIN CORNER

football illegality consisting of blocking from behind an opponent who is not carrying the ball: CLIPPING

football kick in which ball is dropped, then kicked, as it bounces up from ground: DROP KICK

football kicked after being dropped from the hands but before touching the ground: PUNT

football line parallel to the goal line along which teams take positions at start of play: LINE OF SCRIMMAGE

football lineman between the guard and the end: TACKLE

football maneuver in which one back hands the ball to another: HANDOFF

football mass play after the ball has been snapped by the center: SCRIMMAGE

football offensive formation with the quarterback behind the center and the fullback behind him flanked by the halfbacks: T FORMATION

football official supervising at the sidelines: LINESMAN

football pass that moves parallel to the passer's goal line rather than forward: LATERAL PASS

football place kick that starts play at the

beginning of each half or following a touchdown: KICKOFF

football play in which a player grounds the ball behind his own goal line after it has been moved there by an opponent: TOUCHBACK

football play in which the ball is thrown toward the opponent's goal: FORWARD PASS

football player, one of a pair who with the quarterback and fullback make up the backfield: HALFBACK

football player stationed behind the quarterback: FULLBACK

football player who calls the signals: QUARTERBACK

football players behind the linemen: BACKFIELD

football players providing protection for the ball carrier: INTERFERENCE

football score of six points made by touching the ball down behind the opponent's goal line: TOUCHDOWN

football scoring of one or two extra points after a touchdown: CONVERSION

football term for a member of the backfield stationed far out before the ball is put in motion: SLEEPER

football term for a player's touching the ball to the ground behind his own goal line at the cost of two points: SAFETY

football term for being ahead of the ball before it is snapped by the center: OFFSIDE

football term for charging the opposing quarterback by rushing through the line: RED-DOG

football term for putting the ball in play: SNAP

footprint or other trace of a wild animal: SPOOR

footstool, usually upholstered: HASSOCK
 for example, or, by way of example: E.G.
 (EXEMPLI GRATIA)

forbid a person to have or do something: INTERDICT

forbidden: VERBOTEN

forbidden, banned: TABOO

forbidden, beyond the lawful powers of: ULTRA VIRES

force, use of: DURESS

force of destruction that is slow and irresistible: JUGGERNAUT

force one's thoughts or self upon others:

INTRUDE

force oneself, or one's opinion, on someone else: OBTRUDE

force or compel to go: HALE

force or drive to action, urge on: IMPEL

force or pack down by repeated pressure: TAMP

force or spirit from within that guides: NUMEN

force that balances another force: COUNTERPOISE

force that is overpowering or coercive: FORCE MAJEURE

force that sets a body in motion: IMPETUS

force unjustly: EXACT

forced feeding: GAVAGE

forced labor, particularly for repairing roads: CORVÉE

forces at work in any field: DYNAMICS

forcible separation: AVULSION

foreboding: PREMONITION

foreboding: PRESENTIMENT

forever: AD INFINITUM

forefather, earliest ancestor: PRIMOGENITOR

forefather or source: PROGENITOR

forefinger: INDEX FINGER

forehead just above the nose and between the eyebrows: GLABELLA

foreknowledge: PRESCIENCE

forerunner, preliminary: PRECURSOR

foreshadow: ADUMBRATE

foreshadow, warn: PORTEND

foresight, prudent economy: PROVIDENCE

foreskin: PREPUCE

forests of a certain region and their characteristics: SILVA

foretell: VATICINATE

foretell, indicate beforehand: PROGNOSTICATE

foreteller of events: SOOTHSAYER

foretelling by omens: AUGURY

foretelling the future, prophecy: DIVINATION

forethought: CALCULATION

forgetfulness, disregard: OBLIVION

forgetfulness, oblivion: LETHE

forgivable, as sins: REMISSIBLE

forgiveness: ABSOLUTION

forgiving, appeasable: PLACABLE

forgo, relinquish, give up: WAIVE

fork with three broad tines, one sharp: RUNCIBLE SPOON

forked, branching: FURCATE

forked twig or branch popularly thought to be effective in finding underground water: DIVINING ROD

form, shape, outline: FIGURATION

form a point of view beforehand: PRECONCEIVE

form lacking or indefinite: AMORPHOUS

form only: PRO FORMA

formal in an artificial way, pompous: STILTED

formation in ranks or steps as with troops, fleets or airplanes: ECHELON

formed into a rounded mass: GLOMERATE

formed or fashioned: WROUGHT

former: QUONDAM

formidable, fear-inspiring: REDOUBTABLE

formless: INCHOATE

forsaking one's faith, party or principles: APOSTASY

forte, one's occupation for which he is particularly suited: MÉTIER

forthright, firm, solid: FOURSQUARE

fortification, bulwark: RAMPART

fortified place: BASTION

fortnightly: BIWEEKLY

fortune telling, sorcery, black magic: NECROMANCY

fortune telling from the lines of the palm: PALMISTRY

fortuneteller, sorceress: SIBYL

forward, overconfident, arrogant: PRESUMPTUOUS

fossil study or examination of prehistoric forms of life: PALEONTOLOGY

foul or filthy sediment: FECULENCE

foul-smelling: MEPHITIC

foundation of stones thrown together: RIPRAP

foundation or basic facilities of a community: INFRASTRUCTURE

four, group of four: TETRAD

four-dimensional continuum—three of space plus time: SPACE-TIME

four-year period: QUADRENNIUM

foxlike, sly, crafty: VULPINE

fracas, rough-and-tumble clash: SCRIMMAGE

fragment, as of pottery: SHARD

fragments or particles separated from rock masses by erosion or glaciers: DETRITUS

fragments or selections from literary works: ANALECTS

fragrant, suggestive of something: REDOLENT
 fragrant odor: ODOROUS
 frame of mind: DISPOSITION
 frame of mind: POSTURE
 framework like a bridge for holding the rails of a traveling crane: GANTRY
 framework or structure: FABRIC
 frank, innocent, simple, naive, straightforward: INGENUOUS
 fraudulent or tricky action: JOCKEYING
 fraudulently invented, false: TRUMPED-UP
 freakish, strange: OUTLANDISH
 freckle: LENTIGO
 free, emancipate, liberate: MANUMIT
 free and easy, offhand: CAVALIER
 free from blame, prove innocent: EXCULPATE
 free from bondage or restraint: EMANCIPATE
 free from fever: AFEBRILE
 free from slavery, admit to citizenship: ENFRANCHISE
 free of charge: GRATIS
 free will denied or minimized in regard to human behavior: DETERMINISM
 freedom from restrictions: LATITUDE
 freedom or exemption from punishment, harm or unpleasant consequences: IMPUNITY
 free-for-all, brawl marked by roughness: DONNYBROOK
 freight train's rear car: CABOOSE
 French for good day: BON JOUR
 French for good evening: BON SOIR
 French working girl, especially one with free and easy manners: GRISETTE
 frenzied, raging: MADDING
 frequent visitor to a place: HABITUÉ
 frequently occurring: PREVALENT
 fresh, springlike, youthful: VERNAL
 fret, complain: REPINE
 fretful, jittery, balky: RESTIVE
 fried rapidly with little fat: SAUTÉ
 friend who is exceedingly close to one: ALTER EGO
 friendly: AFFABLE
 friendly: AMICABLE
 friendly and solicitous toward guests: HOSPITABLE
 friendship or loyalty weakened or destroyed: DISAFFECTION
 frighten with threats: INTIMIDATE
 frightened, panicky mood: FUNK

frightened easily: SKITTISH
 frightful: HORRENDOUS
 frigid, arctic: HYPERBOREAN
 fringed: LACINIATE
 frisk about, frolic: DISPORT
 frisk about or prance: CAVORT
 frivolity, fickleness, lightness, gaiety that is inappropriate: LEVITY
 frivolous, impulsive, irresponsible: FLIGHTY
 frivolous, restless, superficial: YEASTY
 frolic, skip or leap about: GAMBOL
 frolic or amuse oneself, frisk about: DISPORT
 frolic with hilarity: SKYLARK
 front or primary side of something, such as a coin: OBVERSE
 froth, foam, scum: SPUME
 frozen, icy: GELID
 frugal, careful, cautious: CHARY
 frugal, chary, stingy: SPARE
 fruit-bearing: FRUITION
 fruit-eating: FRUGIVOROUS
 fruitful: PROCREANT
 fruitful, fertile: FERACIOUS
 fruitful, fertile, prolific: FECUND
 fruitful, inventive, productive: PREGNANT
 fruitless, unsuccessful: INEFFECTUAL
 fruits stewed in syrup: COMPOTE
 frustrate, confuse, defeat the plans of: DISCOMFIT
 frustrate, obstruct, foil: THWART
 frying pan, of iron and with a long handle: SPIDER
 fulfillment: FRUITION
 full, absolute, complete: PLENARY
 full, overflowing: TEEMING
 full, rounded voice: OROTUND
 full, sated, amply supplied: REPLETE
 full attendance, as in a legislative body: PLENUM
 full length: IN EXTENSO
 full moon after the harvest moon: HUNTER'S MOON
 full of meaning: PREGNANT
 full power conferred: PLENIPOTENTIARY
 fuller statement, addition for fuller explanation: EPEXEGESIS
 fullness of a container lacking by this amount: ULLAGE
 full-sounding, loud: SONOROUS
 fumble, bungle, misplay: FOOZLE
 fumbler who drops things: BUTTERFINGERS
 fun, quip, playfulness: JEST

fun that is noisy and rough: HORSEPLAY
 fund invested so that its gradual accumula-
 tions will pay a debt: SINKING FUND
 fundamental, basic, inherent in: ORGANIC
 fundamental principle, basis: HYPOSTASIS
 funeral hymn, dirge: EPICEDIMUM
 funeral hymn, lament: DIRGE
 funeral pile: PYRE
 funeral rites: OBSEQUIES
 funeral song, dirge: THRENODY
 funnier than average: UPROARIOUS
 fur, or other covering of a mammal: PEL-
 LAGE
 fur hat worn by hussars, etc.: BUSBY
 furious, enraged: LIVID
 furiously angry, maddened: HORN-MAD
 furnace floor or fireplace: HEARTH
 furnace or oven for baking or drying
 bricks, pottery, cement: KILN

furnish, supply: PURVEY
 furtive: CLANDESTINE
 furtively move about: SKULK
 fuse or blend together: COALESCE
 fuss, commotion in a relatively simple sit-
 uation: TSIMMES
 fuss over something trivial: FOO FARAW
 fussy, old-fashioned person: FUDDY-
 DUDDY
 fussy, overprecise, finicky: NIGGLING
 fussy, precise, overly fastidious, exacting:
 FINICKY
 futile, unsuccessful: UNAVAILING
 futile endeavor: WILD-GOOSE CHASE
 future event referred to as if it had already
 happened: PROLEPSIS
 future generations: POSTERITY
 fuzzy or hairy, in botany: COMATE

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gad about, walk about idly or aimlessly:

TRAIPSE

gadget or device, the name of which is forgotten: DINGUS

gaiety: JOLLITY

gaiety or merriment that is exuberant and noisy: HILARITY

gaiety that is inappropriate, frivolity, fickleness, lightness: LEVITY

gallant, courteous, generous: CHIVALROUS

gallant or courtly man: CAVALIER

gallery or portico that is arcaded and built into the side of a building: LOGGIA

gallows: GIBBET

gambling or luck as a cause or reason:

ALEATORY

gambling system in which one doubles the stakes to recover previous losses:

MARTINGALE

game in which one team fails to score:

SHUTOUT

game of ball, popular in Latin America, played with a curved basket fastened to the arm: JAI ALAI

gangrenous: SPHACELATE

gap, blank: LACUNA

gap, opening, break or interruption of continuity: HIATUS

gap in a mountain through which a torrent passes: FLUME

gape, stare stupidly: GAWK

gaping or expanse of open mouth: RICTUS

garden cultivation: HORTICULTURE

garden for quiet pleasure: PLEASANCE

garment, one piece and tight-fitting, worn by acrobats and dancers: LEOTARD

garment like a skirt worn by both sexes in the Malay Archipelago: SARONG

garment of one piece often worn over regular clothes: COVERALL

garment with no sleeves, worn by Arabs:

ABA

garment worn by an official or a clergyman: VESTMENT

garments that dry quickly after washing and need no ironing: DRIP-DRY

garments that need no ironing after washing: WASH-AND-WEAR

gas in the intestine: FLATUS

gash, cut: INCISION

gasoline that vaporizes at a relatively low temperature: HIGH-TEST

gate controlling flow of water into canal lock: HEAD GATE

gate that revolves to admit passengers after deposit of fare: TURNSTILE

gateway or porch, covered, at the entrance of a building: PORTE-COCHÈRE

gather or store, as in a granary; accumulate: GARNER

gather sheets of manuscript into a unified whole: COLLABATE

gathered into a mass: AGGLOMERATE

gathering of people, animals or things: CLUTCH

gauge or pattern used to copy something accurately, as in woodworking:

TEMPLATE

gaunt, pale, ghastly: CADAVEROUS

gaunt, wild or worn look, as from fatigue, hunger or anxiety: HAGGARD

gay, carefree, light-hearted: ROLICKING

gay, cheerful: JOGUND

gay, puckish, strange: FEY

gay, smart, dashing: RAKISH

gear, equipment, personal effects: PARAPHERNALIA

geld, weaken, castrate, make effeminate: EMASCULATE

gem cutting, engraving or polishing: LAPIDARY

gem measurement: CARAT

gem that is cut in oblong shape: BAGUETTE

gems, as a study: **GEMOLOGY**
 genealogies, armorial bearings, etc.:
 HERALDRY
 general epidemic, widespread, universal:
 PANDEMIC
 general idea, vague concept: **NOTION**
 general pardon: **AMNESTY**
 general store: **EMPORIUM**
 general to particular, as in reasoning: **DE-
 Duction**
 generalization to particular instances: **A
 PRIORI**
 generous: **BOUNTEOUS**
 gemerous, bountiful, lavish: **MUNIFICENT**
 generous, high-minded, great of soul:
 MAGNANIMOUS
 generous in giving or spending: **LAVISH**
 gentle, mild, favorable: **BENIGN**
 gentle, reproof: **ADMONITION**
 geometry that deals with three-dimen-
 sional figures: **SOLID GEOMETRY**
 germ killer: **GERMICIDE**
 German for "so long": **AUF WIEDER-
 SEHEN**
 German prisoner-of-war camp: **STALAG**
 German song: **LIED**
 gestures without words: **PANTOMIME**
 get by begging: **CADGE**
 get rid of, shed: **SLOUGH**
 get something from a person by violence
 or threats: **EXTORT**
 getting even with someone: **REPRISAL**
 ghastly, sepulchral: **CHARNEL**
 ghost: **REVENANT**
 ghost believed to cause sounds: **POL-
 TERGEIST**
 ghost or apparition: **SPECTER**
 ghostly double of someone not yet dead:
 DOPPELGANGER
 ghostly or weird: **EERIE**
 gibberish: **GALIMATIAS**
 gibberish, speech that is confused or
 meaningless: **JARGON**
 gibe or witty remark: **QUIP**
 giddy, flighty: **HOITY-TOITY**
 giddy, flighty, foolish: **HAREBRAINED**
 gift given at start of new year or new ven-
 ture: **HANSEL**
 gift of money, tip: **GRATUITY**
 gift that is small and comes from one who
 can barely afford it: **WIDOW'S MITE**
 gift to a beggar: **HANDOUT**
 gifts bestowed liberally: **LARGESS**
 gigantic, strong, having power to great
 proportions: **HERCULEAN**

gigantic unidentified water beast: **LE-
 VIATHAN**
 gilt of bronze or silver: **VERMEIL**
 gin or vodka mixed with bouillon as a
 cocktail: **BULLSHOT**
 gin or vodka mixed with dry vermouth as
 a cocktail: **MARTINI**
 gin or vodka mixed with water and sweet-
 ened lime juice: **GIMLET**
 girl (Spanish): **MUCHACHA**
 girls in a group: **BEVY**
 gist, essential theme or part: **PITH**
 give and take: **BANDY**
 give back: **RETROCEDE**
 give cause for just complaint: **AGGRIEVE**
 give grudgingly: **STINT**
 give off or send forth as light or heat:
 EMIT
 give out, distribute: **DISPENSE**
 give to another in a will: **BEQUEATH**
 give up: **ABDICATE**
 give up, abandon, yield: **RELINQUISH**
 give up, relinquish, forgo: **WAIVE**
 give up conditionally: **CAPITULATE**
 give up or turn over something to some-
 one: **CONSIGN**
 give up rights, etc.: **ABNEGATE**
 give up something: **CEDE**
 give up something as a penalty: **FORFEIT**
 give vent to, reveal, disclose: **UNBOSOM**
 given without requirement of payment or
 return: **GRATUITOUS**
 giver of benefits or favors: **BENEFACTOR**
 giving or spending generously: **LAVISH**
 giving up or resigning an office: **DEMIS-
 SION**
 glaciers, as a scientific study: **GLACIOLOGY**
 glance at, read quickly: **SCAN**
 glance over or read hastily: **SKIM**
 glandular secretion that is internal: **EN-
 DOCRINE**
 Glasgow resident: **GLASWEGIAN**
 glass, broken or refuse, which is gathered
 for remelting: **CULLET**
 glass or cup filled to the brim: **BUMPER**
 glass or cup for measuring liquor: **JIGGER**
 glass showcase, as for art objects: **VITRINE**
 glass that is colored and used in mosaics:
 SMALTO
 glasses with three lenses: **TRIFOCALS**
 glasses with two lenses: **BIFOCALS**
 glassware with embedded ornaments of
 colored glass: **MURRHINE GLASS**
 glassy: **VITREOUS**
 glaze made of raw egg white: **GLAIR**

gleeful chuckles: CHORTLE
 glib, talkative, speaking fluently: VOLU-
 BLE
 glib and swift talk: PATTERN
 glide or skim over water: SKITTER
 glide or slide, as a snake: SLITHER
 gliding, sinuous motion: UNDULATION
 glitter: SPANGLE
 glitter, flash, sparkle: SCINTILLATE
 globular: CONGLOBATE
 gloomy, dark: CIMMERIAN
 gloomy, dark: TENEBROUS
 gloomy, dejected: DISCONSOLATE
 gloomy, depressed, murky: SOMBER
 gloomy, desolate, haggard: GAUNT
 gloomy, grave, morose: SATURNINE
 gloomy, ill-humored, sullen: MOROSE
 gloomy, infernal, dark: STYGIAN
 gloomy, melancholy: SEPULCHRAL
 gloomy, peevish: DYSPEPTIC
 gloomy, saddened, dejected: DIS-
 CONSOLATE
 gloomy, stern, morose, ill-tempered:
 DOUR
 Gloria Patri, Gloria in excelsis Deo: DOX-
 OLOGY
 glorification: APOTHEOSIS
 glorify, idealize: TRANSFIGURE
 glory of the world thus passes away: SIC
 TRANSIT GLORIA MUNDI
 gloss producing machine, used on paper
 or fabric: CALENDER
 glove part uniting back and front parts of
 adjacent fingers: FOURCHETTE
 glowing: LUMINOUS
 glowing or luminous with heat: INCAN-
 DESCENT
 glum, resentfully morose: SULLEN
 glut, offer more than enough: SATIATE
 gluttonous or drunken: CRAPULENT
 go about, roam in search of diversion:
 GALLIVANT
 go in peace: VADE IN PACE
 go without sleep, keep vigil: WATCH
 goad, incite, foment, provoke, spur on to
 some drastic action: INSTIGATE
 goat or sheep newly born: YEANLING
 goatlike, lustful: HIRCINE
 go-between: INTERMEDIARY
 go-between: INTERNUNCIO
 goblet or large drinking cup: MAZER
 God as the uncaused creator of all things:
 FIRST CAUSE
 God conceived as having human charac-
 teristics: THEANTHROPISM

God evidenced in every feature of the uni-
 verse: PANTHEISM
 God's existence denied: ATHEISM
 God's existence questioned: AGNOSTICISM
 going before, preceding: PREVENIENT
 going in, entrance: INGRESS
 going or traveling from place to place:
 ITINERANT
 going out, or exit: EGRESS
 gold-colored alloys used in cheap jewelry
 and ornaments: ORMOLU
 Golden Fleece searchers with Jason:
 ARGONAUTS
 golf course obstacle or trap: HAZARD
 golf play in which the ball goes into the
 hole on the drive from the tee: HOLE
 IN ONE
 golf shot, short and lofted, made in ap-
 proaching the green: CHIP SHOT
 golf situation in which an opponent's ball
 lies on the green in a direct line be-
 tween a player's ball and the hole:
 STYMIE
 golf stroke on the green to move the ball
 into or near the hole: PUTT
 golf term for one stroke over par on a
 hole: BOGEY
 golf term for one stroke under par on a
 hole: BIRDIE
 golf term for two strokes under par on a
 hole: EAGLE
 golf term indicating ball on the green on a
 line perpendicular to line of ap-
 proach: HOLE-HIGH
 golfer's shouted warning that the ball is
 about to be hit: FORE
 good breeding: SAVOIR-VIVRE
 good deed (Hebrew): MITZVAH
 good living: CAKES AND ALE
 good luck piece: AMULET
 good nature: BONHOMIE
 good or benevolent spirit: EUDEMON
 good things of life: AMENITIES
 goodbye: ADIEU
 goodbye (Spanish): HASTA LA VISTA OR
 HASTA LUEGO OR HASTA MAÑANA
 good-natured, polite remark: PLEAS-
 ANTRY
 goodness, moral excellence: VIRTUE
 goods accumulated as a reserve: STOCK-
 PILE
 goods paid for by dealer only after they've
 been sold: ON CONSIGNMENT
 goods sold in a miscellany collection to a
 retailer: JOB LOT

goods that may not be imported or exported: CONTRABAND
 goof or social blunder: FAUX PAS
 goose flesh: HORRIPILATION
 gospel-spreading through preaching and revival meetings: EVANGELISM
 gossip: BRUIT
 gossip carelessly: BANDY
 gossip or chat: CONFABULATE
 gourmet, sensualist: EPICURE
 gout: PODAGRA
 government administration by inflexible officials: BUREAUCRACY
 government by a few: OLIGARCHY
 government by holy men: HAGIARCHY or HAGIOCRACY
 government by men only: PATRIARCHY
 government by priests or members of the clergy: HIEROCRACY
 government by the military: STRATOCRACY
 government by the old: GERONTOCRACY
 government by the rich: PLUTOCRACY
 government by women or a woman: GYN-ARCHY
 government council, local or national, in the Soviet Union: SOVIET
 government expenditures financed by borrowing in order to increase productivity and consumption: DEFICIT FINANCING
 government in which people as a whole control production and distribution of goods: COLLECTIVISM
 government or authority shared jointly by two men: DUUMVIRATE
 governmental organization of a state or society: POLITY
 government publication on a relatively less important subject: WHITE PAPER
 government seizure, usually sudden and often accompanied by violence: COUP D'ETAT
 government with absolute power: AUTARCHY
 government-must-go theory: ANARCHISM
 government's unlimited authority: ABSOLUTISM
 gown, loose and flowing, gathered from the neckline: MUUMUU
 graceful, slender young woman: SYLPH
 graceful, smooth, expressive: FLUENT
 graceful in bending, bending easily, limber: LITHE
 graceful structure or movement: EURYTHMIC

gracious: BENIGNANT
 gracious gesture: BEAU GESTE
 gradation or subtle change in meaning: NUANCE
 grade, layer, bed: STRATUM
 gradual reduction and extinction of debt or liability, as by installment payments: AMORTIZATION
 graduation address: BACCALAUREATE
 graduation speech of farewell: VALEDICTORY
 grain that has been or is to be ground, meal: GRIST
 grammatical change of construction within a sentence: ANACOLUTHON
 grammatical or syntactical violation: SOL-ECISM
 grammatical system consisting of a set of rules for producing sentences: GENERATIVE GRAMMAR
 grammatical term for possessive case: GENITIVE
 grammatical theory that holds that all sentences are kernel sentences or transformations of them in accordance with transformational rules: TRANSFORMATIONAL GRAMMAR
 grammatically analyze a sentence by giving form, function and syntactical relationship of its words: PARSE
 grand, stately, impressive: IMPOSING
 grand jury report on an offense based on its own knowledge and with no indictment: PRESENTMENT
 grand or imposing: GRANDIOSE
 grandiloquent: TURGID
 grant with condescension: VOUCHSAFE
 grape cultivation for wine: VINICULTURE
 grape growing: VITICULTURE
 grape refuse after pressing, from which brandy is distilled: MARC
 graph in form of a circle divided into proportionate sections: PIE CHART
 graphic symbol representing an object or idea: IDEOGRAPH
 grasping, greedy: RAPACIOUS
 grasping, holding: PREHENSION
 grass in second growth after regular cutting, usually tall and rank: FOG
 grass or hay in its second growth; aftermath: ROWEN
 grass-covered land, turf: SWARD
 grass-eating: GRAMINIVOROUS
 grassland or open country of South Africa: VELDT

gratify or yield to one's desires: INDULGE
 grating, shrill: STRIDENT
 gratuity, something extra given: LAGNIAPPE
 grave, gloomy, morose: SATURNINE
 grave robber: GHOUL
 grave robber, of bodies: RESURRECTIONIST
 graveyard shift in newspaper work: LOBSTER SHIFT
 gravy in natural form included: AU JUS
 gray or graying hair: GRIZZLED
 gray- or white-haired, ancient, venerable: HOARY
 grayish, often with a mottled appearance: GRISEOUS
 grease or oil something: LUBRICATE
 greasy, slippery feeling: UNCTUOUS
 great of soul, generous, high-minded: MAGNANIMOUS
 great style: BRAVURA
 great work, masterpiece: MAGNUM OPUS
 greed, avarice: CUPIDITY
 greedy: COVETOUS
 greedy: INSATIABLE
 greedy, grasping: RAPACIOUS
 greedy, insatiable, immoderate: VORACIOUS
 greedy, rapacious person: HARPY
 Greek architecture characterized by elaborateness: CORINTHIAN
 Greek architecture characterized by ornamental scrolls on capitals: IONIC
 Greek architecture characterized by simplicity and plain capitals on columns: DORIC
 Greek monster with head and trunk of man, body and legs of horse: CENTAUR
 green, grassy: VERDANT
 green coating on bronze or copper: PATINA
 green crops for animal fodder: SOILAGE
 green pigment in plant cells involved in photosynthesis: CHLOROPHYLL
 greenish: VIRESCENT
 greenish-yellow: LUTEOUS
 greeting: SALUTATION
 greeting in the Orient consisting of a low bow with the right palm at the forehead: SALAAM
 grief or sorrow, to cause: AGGRIEVE
 grief or weeping that is false: CROCODILE TEARS
 grievance: GRAVAMEN
 grievance, complaint: PLAINT

grieve or sympathize with someone: CONDOLE
 grim, severe, strict: STARK
 grin, laugh: RISUS
 grind or scrape harshly, cut, pierce: GRIDE
 grinding of teeth, especially during sleep: BRUXISM
 gritty like sand: SABULOUS
 groggy: PUNCH-DRUNK
 grooved, striped: STRIATED
 grooved timber, in which wings of a stage set slide: COULISSE
 grooved with long, rounded channels: FLUTED
 ground, as of a region or territory: TERRAIN
 ground plan of a building or other structure: ICHNOGRAPHY
 ground that is solid and unbroken: HARDPAN
 group arranged by rank: HIERARCHY
 group of girls: BEVY
 group of persons sharing same interest or interests: COTERIE
 group of two or more business concerns for a venture: CONSORTIUM
 group or clique: FACTION
 group spirit: ESPRIT DE CORPS
 group with common interests living together: COMMUNE
 grow, increase, expand step by step: ESCALATE
 growing, waxing, enlarging: INCRESCENT
 growing along the ground, lying down: DECUMBENT
 growing old, aging: SENESCENT
 growing or coming together: CONCRETION
 growing plants in solutions rather than in soil: HYDROPONICS
 growing white: ALBESCENT
 growing with age: ACCRESCENCE
 growth arrested: ATROPHY
 growth on a field, as of corn: STAND
 growth rings on trees as means of determining approximate dates of past events: DENDROCHRONOLOGY
 growth that is gradual: ACCRESCENCE
 gruesome, horrible, ghastly: MACABRE
 gruff or irritable person, usually elderly: CURMUDGEON
 grumble, complain: GROUSE
 guarantee: WARRANTY
 guarantee, assure: VOUCH
 guarantee, promise: STIPULATE
 guard, watchman, keeper: WARDER

guard against, hinder or prevent in advance: FORESTALL
 guard line, as of men or ships enclosing an area: CORDON
 guardian, trustee: FIDUCIARY
 guarding and watching carefully: WARY
 guess: CONJECTURE
 guess correctly, surmise: DIVINE
 guessing game, based on pantomimed actions: CHARADES
 guide or interpreter for travelers in the Near East: DRAGOMAN
 guide who explains to tourists: CICERONE
 guidebook: BAEDEKER
 guidebook, manual: HANDBOOK
 guidebook for travelers: ITINERARY
 guiding or animating spirit from within: NUMEN
 guiding principle or example; star used as guide in navigation: LODESTAR
 guilt feeling: COMPUNCTION
 guilt feeling, self-reproach: REMORSE

guilt or wrongdoing implied: INCRIMINATION
 Gulf State inhabitant, Spanish American or West Indian of European descent: CREOLE
 gullibility: CREDULITY
 gully that is deep and dry: ARROYO
 gum inflammation: GINGIVITIS
 gunfire that sweeps across the length of a trench or a troop of men: ENFILADE
 gush forth, squirt: SPURT
 gush or spurt of liquid from a narrow orifice: JET
 gushing, overdemonstrative: EFFUSIVE
 gut reaction, deeply felt: VISCERAL
 gutter or channel of a street: KENNEL
 gymnast association, athletic club: TURN-VEREIN
 gymnastics to promote grace and health: CALISTHENICS
 gypsy: TZIGANE

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habit, customary practice: WONT
 habits deeply established: SECOND NATURE
 habitual or hardened in a particular character or opinion: INVETERATE
 habitual or usual way of reacting: DISPOSITION
 habituated, accustomed or used to: WONT
 habitue or inhabitant: DENIZEN
 hack, mangle, cut unskillfully: HAGGLE
 hack writers: GRUBSTREET
 hades: ACHERON
 hag: CRONE
 hag, hateful old woman: HARRIDAN
 hag who is ugly and malicious: BELDAM
 haggard, hollow-eyed, gloomy, desolate, emaciated: GAUNT
 hair covering that is matted and woolly: TOMETOUSE
 hair covering that is soft like velvet: VELUTINOUS
 hair growing to a point on the forehead: WIDOW'S PEAK
 hair of a woman: TRESSES
 hair remover: DEPILATORY
 hair sticking up: COWLICK
 hair that is woolly or crispy: ULOTRICHIOUS
 hairdo in which the hair is bound by a ribbon in back and hangs loosely below it: PONYTAIL
 hairdresser (male): COIFFEUR
 hairs in the nostrils: VIBRISSE
 hairy: HIRSUTE
 hairy or fuzzy, in botany: COMATE
 half, portion, share: MOIETY
 half-breed, mixed origin: HYBRID
 half-man, half-horse monster of Greek mythology: CENTAUR
 half turn made by horse with rider: CARACOLE
 Halifax resident: HALIGONIAN

hallucination-causing or mind-intensifying: PSYCHEDELIC
 halo: AUREOLE
 halo: GLORIOLE
 halo, aura: NIMBUS
 halved: DIMIDIATE
 ham, spicy and thin: PROSCIUTTO
 ham that is smoked or cured: GAMMON
 hammered or stamped, as the figure or design on a coin: INCUSE
 hand down, transmit, grant in will: BEQUEATH
 hand measure, with the thumb and little finger extended: SPAN
 hand over or give up something to someone: CONSIGN
 handbag, small, used by women: RETICULE
 handbook or manual: ENCHIRIDION
 handcuff, fetter, shackle: MANACLE
 handle, especially of a knife, sickle, sword: HAFT
 handle or move skillfully: MANIPULATE
 handrail supported by balusters: BALUSTRADE
 hands on hips: AKIMBO
 handsome man: ADONIS
 handwriting art: CHIROGRAPHY
 handwriting or spelling that is bad: CACOGRAPHY
 handwriting or type that resembles it: SCRIPT
 handwritten by the signer: HOLOGRAPH
 hang around, waste time, loiter: DAWDLE
 hang down or droop loosely: LOP
 hang loosely, droop: LOLL
 hanger-on: CAMP FOLLOWER
 hanging in a loose position: PENSILE
 hanging in a swinging position: PENDULOUS

hanging on in spite of difficulties: TENACIOUS
haphazard: RANDOM
happen, take place: SUPERVENE
happen or come into being as a final outcome: EVENTUATE
happening at the same rate: SYNCHRONOUS
happening or event: INCIDENT
happiness, relaxation, well-being: EUPHORIA
happiness or well-being as found in the life of moderation: EUDEMONIA
happy and healthy: EUPEPTIC
happy condition: SEVENTH HEAVEN
happy, optimistic: UPBEAT
harangue, abusive denunciation: DIATRIBE
harangue that is lengthy: SCREED
harass or annoy with taunts or questions: HECKLE
harass with persistency: IMPORTUNE
harass, worry: CHEVY
hard, cruel, obdurate: FLINTY
hard legendary mineral: ADAMANT
hard or impossible to explain, as of something causing wonder: UNCANNY
hard shelled: TESTACEOUS
hard, stony: PETROUS
hard to believe, amazing: INCREDIBLE
hard to express: JE NE SAIS QUOI
hard to grasp: ELUSIVE
hard to handle because of size, strength or difficulty: FORMIDABLE
hard to please: FASTIDIOUS
hard to please, excessively critical: HYPERCRITICAL
hard to understand: ABSTRUSE
harden, become rigid: OSSIFY
harden, deaden, paralyze with fear: PETRIFY
hardened, unfeeling: INDURATE
hardhearted, stubborn, pitiless: OBDURATE
hardness: CALLOSITY
harm the reputation of: DISCREDIT
harmful, injurious: NOCUOUS
harmful, unwholesome: NOXIOUS
harmful, mischievous: MALEFICENT
harmful, noxious: VIRULENT
harmful with intent, spiteful: MALICIOUS
harmless: INNOCUOUS
harmless: INNOXIOUS
harmless substance given to comfort a patient or as a test control: PLACEBO
harmonious or pleasing in sound, smooth: EUPHONIOUS
harmonious relationship, accord: RAPPORT

harmony, in sympathy: EN RAPPORT
harmony and elegance in arrangement of parts: CONCINNITY
harmony restored: RECONCILED
harpsichord or small piano: SPINET
harsh: ACERB
harsh, caustic, withering: SCATHING
harsh, discordant sound: JANGLE
harsh, fierce: FELL
harsh, high sound: STRIDENT
harsh, merciless: INCLEMENT
harsh, pitiless: RELENTLESS
harsh, stern: ASTRINGENT
harsh cry or sound like a donkey's: BRAY
harsh sound: CACOPHANY
harshness: ASPERITY
haste, turmoil, excitement: HECTIC
hasten, hurry: HIE
hastening the tempo, in music: STRINGENDO
hasty, rash, impulsive: IMPETUOUS
hasty or impulsive actions or speech: HALF-COCKED
hat, round and close-fitting: TOQUE
hat with brim turned up to form three sides: TRICORN
hat with broad brim turned up at the sides: SHOVEL HAT
hatchet- or ax-shaped: DOLABRIFORM
hate, deep enmity: RANCOR
hated or dreaded object or person: BÊTE NOIRE
hateful, repugnant, loathsome, disgusting, offensive: ODIOUS
hatred: ANIMUS
hatred of men: MISANDRY
haughty, arrogant: CAVALIER
haughty, arrogant, pompous, dogmatic: PONTIFICAL
haughty person: BRAHMIN
haughty person who sets great store by social status, wealth, etc.: SNOB
haul, drag, curry: SCHLEP
haunt, place to which one often returns: PURLIEU
Hawaiian feast with entertainment: LUAU
Hawaiian salutation: ALOHA
hay fever: POLLENOSIS
hay or grain raked into a long ridge or pile: WINDROW
haystack with the top fashioned to protect interior from rain: RICK
hazy, misty, vague, unclear: NEBULOUS
head cold: CORYZA

- head enlargement caused by excess of fluid in cranium: HYDROCEPHALUS
- head of a human joined to animal body: ANDROCEPHALOUS
- head of the line: VAN
- head that is broad: BRACHYCEPHALIC
- head to foot: CAP-A-PIE
- headache on one side as in migraine: HEMICRANIA
- headband or crown: DIADEM
- headdress, crownlike and jeweled, worn by women: TIARA
- headdress of Moslems consisting of wound cloth: TURBAN
- headland, high land extending into the sea: PROMONTORY
- headless: ACEPHALOUS
- healing: SANATIVE
- healing, curative: THERAPEUTIC
- health-conscious person unduly anxious about illness: VALETUDINARIAN
- health or spirits: FETTL
- health resort: SANITARIUM
- health that is sound and vigorous, robust: HALE
- healthful: SALUBRIOUS
- healthy and happy: EUPEPTIC
- heap, mass or collection of things: CONGERIES
- heard by someone but not positively known to be true: HEARSAY
- hearing diminution that accompanies aging: PRESBYCUSIS
- heart attack: CORONARY THROMBOSIS
- heart attack factor, according to experimental evidence: CHOLESTEROL
- heart examination that traces changes in electric potential: ELECTROCARDIOGRAM (EKG)
- heart rhythm disturbance: EXTRASYSTOLE
- heart-shaped: CORDIFORM
- heartbeat abnormality, with double pulse beat: DICROTIC
- heartbeats that are weak and irregular: FIBRILLATION
- heartburn: PYROSIS
- heart's regular contraction: SYSTOLE
- heat and cold sensitivity: THERMESTHESIA
- heat causing or producing: PYROGENIC
- heat energy employed after nuclear fusion: THERMONUCLEAR
- heat measurement: CALORIMETRY
- heat or light ray bent in passage from one medium to another: REFRACTION
- heat or warmth producing, like a mustard plaster: CALEFACIENT
- heat producing: CALORIFIC
- heat-producing medical treatment: DIATHERMY
- heat that is oppressive or overpowering: SWELTERING
- heavenly, celestial: SUPERNAL
- heavens, sky: FIRMAMENT
- heavy, clumsy, awkward in appearance or movement: LUMBERING
- heavy shoe: BROGAN
- hedge or wall set low in a ditch so as not to obstruct the view: HA-HA
- heedless, inattentive: UNAWARE
- heedlessness, foolhardiness: TEMERITY
- heel-stamping Spanish dance, flamenco-like: ZAPATEADO
- height, instrument for measuring: ALTIMETER
- height of power, exuberance: HEYDAY
- held notes, prolonged tempo, in music: SOSTENUTO
- held or sustained, in music: TENUTO
- helicopter landing place: HELIPORT
- hell: INFERNO
- hell: NETHER WORLD
- helmet worn as protection against the sun: TOPEE
- help: ABET
- help: ADMINICL
- helpful person or rescuer: SAMARITAN
- helping to make possible: CONDUCTIVE
- helpless, ineffective: IMPOTENT
- helplessness, ineffectiveness: IMPOTENCE
- hen that has been spayed: POULARD
- hence: ERGO
- herald or announcement of the coming of something or someone: HARBINGER
- heraldic blue banner with three fleurs-de-lis of gold: ORIFLAMME
- heraldic vertical band through the middle of the shield: PALE
- heraldic white or silver: ARGENT
- heraldry device placed above the shield in a coat of arms: CREST
- heraldry position of a beast reared on its hind legs: RAMPANT
- heraldry term for animal walking with a forepaw raised: PASSANT
- heraldry term for a square table set diagonally, displaying arms of a deceased person: HATCHMENT
- heraldry term for design with many small figures: SEMÉ

heraldry term for division of the quarter usually on the dexter side: CANTON
 heraldry term for left: SINISTER
 heraldry term for sitting with the forelimbs upright: SEJANT
 heraldry term for two coats of arms placed side by side on an escutcheon: IMPALE
 heraldry term for vertical bands of alternating colors: PALY
 here and there in a book: PASSIM
 heredity study to improve quality of humans: EUGENICS
 hermaphroditic: ANDROGYNOUS
 hermit: ANCHORITE
 hero as a rogue in fiction: PICARESQUE
 hesitancy or uneasiness regarding a question of moral right: SCRUPLE
 hesitate, take exception, object: DEMUR
 hesitate in speaking: HAW OR HEM AND HAW
 hesitating: IRRESOLUTE
 hidden: ABSTRUSE
 hidden, profound: RECONDITE
 hidden, unclear, faint: OBSCURE
 hidden goods or articles: CACHE
 hidden or secret: ARCANES
 hidden or unknown difficulty: JOKER
 hidden tendency: UNDERCURRENT
 hide or obscure: CAMOUFLAGE
 hideous, enormous: MONSTROUS
 hideous or cruel being: OGRE
 hiding of one's real activities or designs: COVER-UP
 hiding place for goods or articles: CACHE
 hieroglyphics key: ROSETTA STONE
 high, harsh sound: STRIDENT
 high and mighty: HAUGHTY
 high birth or rank: AUGUST
 high fashion: HAUT COUTURE
 high level land: PLATEAU
 high on a hill or mountain, said of a house or stronghold: AERIE
 high or culminating point: SOLSTICE
 high priest, prelate: HIERARCH
 high regard, esteem: REPUTE
 high society: HAUT MONDE
 high spirits or elated: COCK-A-HOO
 high voice above natural register: FALSETTO
 higher price on a stock transaction than the preceding transaction price: UP TICK, PLUS-TICK
 highest bid to buy and lowest offer to sell

a given stock at a given time: QUOTATION
 highest grade, usually said of diamonds and pearls: FIRST WATER
 highest honors attending graduation: SUMMA CUM LAUDE
 highest in kind, quality, or degree: SUPERLATIVE
 highest in rank: PARAMOUNT
 highest or culminating point: ZENITH
 highest point: APOGEE
 highest point: PINNACLE
 highest point, topmost stone: CAPSTONE
 highest point of anything, zenith: MERIDIAN
 highest priced or best quality: GILT-EDGED
 high-minded, great of soul, generous: MAGNANIMOUS
 high-pressure peddling by phone of stocks of dubious value: BOILER ROOM
 high-wire acrobat: AERIALIST
 high-wire walker: FUNAMBULIST
 highway interchange with overpass and curved ramps: CLOVERLEAF
 hill or small round mound: KNOLL
 hilly, moundy: TUMULOSE
 hinder, block or guard against in advance: FORESTALL
 hinder, impede, crowd with useless additions: ENCUMBER
 hinder, interfere with the movements of, impede: HAMPER
 hinder, put obstacles in the way of, retard: IMPEDE
 hinder, slow, delay: RETARD
 hinder or obstruct: CRIMP
 hindrance, impediment: TRAMMEL
 Hindu ascetic philosophy that involves deep meditation: YOGA
 Hindu mythology triad of Brahma, Vishnu and Siva: TRIMURTI
 Hindu system of exercises practiced in the Yoga discipline: YOGA
 Hindu women's garment consisting of a long piece of fabric artfully wound about the body: SARI
 hint, imply: INTIMATE
 hint, notion, slight suggestion, vague idea: INKLING
 hint, sly intimation: INSINUATION
 hint, suggestion, insinuation, usually derogatory: INNUENDO
 hint at, signify: IMPLY
 hired applauders: CLAUQUE

hissing sound: SIBILANT
 history study based on excavations: AR-
 CHEOLOGY
 hit and rebound: CAROM
 hit repeatedly: PELT
 hit repeatedly with the fists: PUMMEL
 hit sweepingly along the side: SIDESWIPE
 hives, nettle rash: URTICARIA
 hoarding riches: AVARICE
 hoax: SPOOF
 hobos' section of a city: SKID ROW
 hockey enclosure to seat players removed
 as a penalty: PENALTY BOX
 hockey foul of touching opponent's body
 with stick held in both hands: CROSS-
 CHECK
 hockey term for illegal entry of oppo-
 nent's zone ahead of the puck: OFF-
 SIDE
 hockey term for moving the puck with
 light taps of the stick: DRIBBLE
 hockey term for starting play by dropping
 the puck between the sticks of two
 opposing players: FACE OFF
 hocus-pocus, sleight of hand, trickery:
 LEGERDEMAIN
 hodgepodge, confusion: KATZENJAMMER
 hodgepodge, hash: GALLIMAUFRY
 hodgepodge, medley: MÉLANGE
 hoggish, piggish, swinish: PORCINE
 hold back from something: ABSTAIN
 hold forth, discuss: DESCANT
 hold someone by binding the arms: PINION
 holding, as of land or a term of office:
 TENURE
 holding of an office: INCUMBENCY
 holding together: COHERENT
 hole drilled through the ocean floor: MO-
 HOLE
 hole in a paved road: POTHOLE
 holiday spent in activity similar to one's
 regular work: BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY
 holiness or righteousness pretended:
 SANCTIMONIOUS
 hollow in a wall, as for a bust, statue or
 the like: NICHE
 holy men forming the government:
 HAGIARCHY or HAGIOCRACY
 holy oil: CHRISM
 holy water basin: STOUP
 homage, respect, reverence: OBEISANCE
 home: ABODE
 home, house or dwelling: DOMICILE
 homeless, roaming: NOMADIC
 homeless, wandering youngster: GAMIN

homeless person forced by a war, to live
 in a foreign country: DISPLACED PER-
 SON
 homeless wanderer: WAIF
 homeless rover, vagabond: VAGRANT
 homesickness that is severe: NOSTALGIA
 homosexual male: URANIST, URNING
 homosexual female: LESBIAN
 homosexuality, especially among males:
 URANISM
 honest, conscientious: SCRUPULOUS
 honest, morally proper: UPRIGHT
 honest, straightforward dealing: PLAIN-
 DEALING
 honest, upright: INCORRUPT
 honesty: VERACITY
 honesty, probity: INTEGRITY
 honeylike, semifluid, sticky: VISCOUS
 honor with festivities: FETE
 honorable, respectable; in good usage:
 REPUTABLE
 honored for excellence in one's achieve-
 ments: LAUREATE
 honors awarded according to property
 owned, as a form of government:
 TIMOCRACY
 honors included, as at graduation: CUM
 LAUDE
 hood and mask worn at masquerades: DOM-
 INO
 hooded: COWLED
 hooded cloak: BURNOOSE
 hoof, nail, claw: UNGUIS
 hook at the end of the pole for landing
 large fish: GAFF
 hooked or curved: AQUILINE
 hooklike: UNCIFORM
 hoot, wail, howl: ULULATE
 hope with little or no expectation of get-
 ting what is desired: FORLORN HOPE
 hopeless, incapable of being reformed:
 INCORRIGIBLE
 hopeless plight: CHANCERY
 hopelessness, dejection of spirits: DE-
 SPONDENCY
 hormone of male sex: ANDROSTERONE
 horn overflowing with fruit, vegetables,
 grain: CORNUCOPIA
 horn that is low-pitched, especially one
 used on ships to signal alarms:
 KLAXON
 horn-bereft animal: POLLARD
 hornlike or horny: CORNEOUS
 horrible fancy: CHIMERA
 horrified: AGHAST

horse breed notable for its trotters and pacers: STANDARDBRED
 horse command word meaning to turn left: HAW
 horse of light tan with ivory-colored mane and tail: PALOMINO
 horse of medium size used for ordinary driving or riding: HACKNEY
 horse race in which any entry is subject to purchase at a previously set price: CLAIMING RACE
 horse race in which the competitors are selected far in advance: FUTURITY
 horse race with only one starter: WALK-OVER
 horse racing information sheet: DOPE SHEET
 horse racing term for designated weight carried by a horse in a handicap race: IMPOST
 horse that has been castrated: GELDING
 horse that is male and uncastrated: STALLION
 horse that races well on a muddy track: MUDDER
 horse whose coloring is permeated with gray or white: ROAN
 horse-drawn two-wheeled vehicle for one person: SULKY
 horselike mythical animal with one horn: UNICORN
 horse's lifting of a forefoot and the opposite hind foot without moving forward or backward: PIAFFER
 horses or horsemanship: EQUESTRIAN
 horses or oxen in a matched pair: SPAN
 horses used for heavy work: PERCHERONS
 horse-training term for a gait in which a horse moves partly sidewise: VOLT
 hospital department in which outpatients are treated: POLICLINIC
 hospital or ship for the treatment of contagious diseases: LAZARETTO
 hostile, antagonistic: INIMICAL
 hostile, inharmonious, incongruous: DIS-SONANT
 hostile, resisting, antagonistic: REPUG-NANT
 hostile behavior: BELLICOSITY
 hostile feeling: ANIMUS
 hot, scorched: TORRID
 hot days of July and August: DOG DAYS
 hotel designed to accommodate motorists: MOTEL
 hotel system in which the price includes

room, service and meals: AMERICAN PLAN
 hotel system of charging for room and service without meals: EUROPEAN PLAN
 hourly: HORAL
 house with a view: BELVEDERE
 house with each floor half a story above or below the adjacent one: SPLIT-LEVEL
 household: MÉNAGE
 household gods: LARES AND PENATES
 howl, hoot, wail: ULULATE
 hubbub, turmoil: HURLY-BURLY
 huge: TITANIC
 huge or powerful thing or creature: LE-VIATHAN
 human attributes ascribed to inanimate things: PATHETIC FALLACY
 human attributes ascribed to inanimate things in figurative speech: PERSONIFICATION
 human embodiment: INCARNATION
 human emotions or passions attributed to gods or objects: ANTHROPOPATHY
 human form or characteristics ascribed to something not human: ANTHROPO-MORPHISM
 human improvement through control of environment: EUTHENICS
 human improvement through control of factors that affect heredity: EUGENICS
 human knowledge as a subject of study, cognition: EPISTEMOLOGY
 human shaped: ANDROID
 humanly made object or art: ARTIFACT
 humble and earnest entreating: SUPPLIANT
 humiliate: ABASE
 humorous: WAGGISH
 humpback, curvature of the spine: KY-PHOSIS
 hundredfold: CENTUPLE
 hunger that is continuous: BULIMIA
 hungry, greedy: ESURIENT
 hungry in a wild or greedy way: RAVEN-
 OUS
 hunt or fish illegally: POACH
 hunted creature: QUARRY
 hurl from a height: PRECIPITATE
 hurried and confused: HELTER-SKELTER
 hurry: POSTHASTE
 hurry, hasten: HIE
 hurry off, run: SCAMPER
 hurtful: DELETERIOUS
 hurtful to the feelings in a sharp way: POIGNANT
 hurtle through air: CATAPULT

husband of a reigning female sovereign:

PRINCE CONSORT

husband of an unfaithful wife: CUCKOLD

husband or wife: CONSORT

husband who murders his wife: UXORICIDE

husbandly excessive fondness for or submissiveness to wife: UXORIOUS

husk, shell or pod: SHUCK

hussy: JADE

hybrid offspring of a stallion and a female

ass: HINNY

hymn for the dead: REQUIEM

hymn or verse in praise of God: DOX-
OLOGY

hypocrisy: PHARISAISM

hypocrisy: SANCTIMONY

hypocrite: AMBIDEXTER

hypocrite: TARTUFFE

hypocrite: WHITED SEPULCHER

hypocrite who is fawning and scheming:

URIAH HEEP

hypocritical, insincere: PECKSNIFFIAN

hypocritical, pretentious or ostentatious
ceremony: MUMMERY

hypocritical behavior: DISSEMBLANCE

hypocritical pious expressions: CANT

hypothetical, academic, debatable: MOOT

hysterical outburst or rage: CONNIPTION

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I am at fault: MEA CULPA
 I came, I saw, I conquered: VENI, VIDI, VICI
 ice game, in which heavy stones are slid toward a goal: CURLING
 iced or chilled beverages as a dessert: FRAPPÉ
 icy, frozen: GELID
 increase power, rank or wealth: AGGRANDIZE
 increasing the number of shares of a company by dividing the outstanding shares: SPLIT
 idea conference: BRAINSTORMING
 idealize, glorify: TRANSFIGURE
 identification card: ID CARD
 identifying oneself with other persons or objects: INTROJECTION
 idiocy: AMENTIA
 idiom, language, speaking style: PARLANCE
 idiot: AMENT
 idiotic, inane, stupid: FATUOUS
 idle, dormant: FALLOW
 idle, lazy: OTIOSE
 idle, unoccupied: VACUOUS
 idle chatter; also a discussion: PALAVER
 idle talk: PRATE
 idle tramp who is subject to arrest: VAGRANT
 idler, do-nothing: FAINEANT
 idyllic, serene, calm: HALCYON
 if anything can go wrong, it will: MURPHY'S LAW
 if you please; please: S'IL VOUS PLAÎT
 ignorant: BENIGHTED
 ignoring the complexity of problems, oversimplifying them: SIMPLISTIC
 ignorance: NESCIENCE
 ignorance pretended to expose errors of

opponent's argument: SOCRATIC IRONY
 ill will, spitefulness: RANCOR
 ill temper, spitefulness, peevishness: SPLEEN
 ill-assorted, incongruous: DISSOCIABLE
 ill-disposed, wishing evil toward others: MALEVOLENT
 illegal bargain made in a lawsuit to get share of matter sued for: CHAMPERTY
 illegal commerce in goods that may not be exported or imported: CONTRABAND
 illegal influencing of a judge or jury: EMBRACERY
 illegitimate, counterfeit: SPURIOUS
 ill-humored, cross, gloomy: SULKY
 ill-humored, sullen, gloomy: MOROSE
 illiterate, uneducated: UNLETTERED
 illiterate who is unable to learn to read: FUNCTIONAL ILLITERATE
 ill-natured or rude person: CHURL
 illness, disorder: DISTEMPER
 illness or discontent, a chronic feeling of either: DYSPHORIA
 illness or disorder of mind or body: DISTEMPER
 illness that is slight: INDISPOSITION
 illogical or faulty reasoning: PARALOGISM
 ill-starred: STAR-CROSSED
 ill-tempered or peevish: BILIOUS
 illusion of reality, in art or decoration: TROMPE L'OEIL
 illusion that a new experience has happened before: DÉJÀ VU
 illustrate a book already in print with illustrations from another book: GRANGERIZE
 illustrative: EXEMPLARY
 illustrious, shining: SPLENDENT
 image: EIDOLON

- image in the mind, specter: PHANTASM
 image, likeness, picture, usually an object of veneration: ICON
 image, likeness, representation, usually crudely done of a disliked person: EFFIGY
 images in works of art studied to determine thematic significance of the subject: ICONOGRAPHY
 imaginable, possible, secular: EARTHLY
 imaginary, assumed, supposed: HYPOTHETICAL
 imaginary, flimsy: INSUBSTANTIAL
 imaginary, unrealistic: VISIONARY
 imaginary grotesque monster: CHIMERA
 imaginary or visionary semblance: SIMULACRUM
 imaginative resources: INGENUITY
 imagined symptoms as part of anxiety about one's health: HYPOCHONDRIA
 imitate, look or act like someone or something: SIMULATE
 imitate in attempt to equal or surpass: EMULATE
 imitation, especially in literature and art: MIMESIS
 imitation by a word of some sound: ECHOIC
 imitation of a literary or musical work, meant humorously: PARODY
 imitation marble: SCAGLIOLA
 imitation or burlesque that is farcical: TRAVESTY
 imitation or reproduction of the original: ECTYPE
 immature: CALLOW
 immature, callow but opinionated: SOPHOMORIC
 immature, inexperienced: UNFLEDGED
 immediate: INSTANTANEOUS
 immediately: TOUT DE SUITE
 immediately, at once: INSTANTER
 immediately following this: HEREUPON
 immoral, debauched: DISSOLUTE
 immoral man, roué: RAKE
 immortality: ATHANASIA
 immovable: ADAMANT
 immune, resistant: INSUSCEPTIBLE
 immune to injury, unconquerable: INVULNERABLE
 immunity to disease, as a study: IMMUNOLOGY
 immunize by an injection: INOCULATE
 impair, spoil: VITIATE
 impair secretly, weaken by degrees: UNDERMINE
 impart gradually: INSTILL
 impartial, fair: UNBIASED
 impartial, fair, reasonable: EQUITABLE
 impartial, unbiased: DISINTERESTED
 impartial, objective: DISPASSIONATE
 impartiality, justness, fairness: EQUITY
 impassioned: FERVID
 impassive, unfeeling: STOLID
 impassive, unaffected by pain or pleasure: STOICAL
 impede, block, hinder, stop: OBSTRUCT
 impede, disconcert, complicate: EMBARRASS
 impede, hinder, obstruct, crowd with useless additions: ENCUMBER
 impede, restrain, interfere with the movements of: HAMPER
 impediment, hindrance: TRAMMEL
 impending, threatening: IMMINENT
 imperious, dictatorial: PEREMPTORY
 impetuous: BRASH
 impetuous, ardent, violent: VEHEMENT
 impetus of a body in motion: MOMENTUM
 implant ideas or opinions: INSEMINATE
 implicate: INVOLVE
 implication of a word, an expression or a text: CONNOTATION
 implied, not directly stated: TACIT
 imply, hint: INTIMATE
 imply or give the appearance of fact, often falsely: PURPORT
 important: CONSEQUENTIAL
 important, essential: PIVOTAL
 important, highly regarded: PRESTIGIOUS
 important, outstanding feature: HIGHLIGHT
 important person: HIGH MUCK-A-MUCK
 important person in a group: KINGPIN
 impose, introduce or insert fraudulently: FOIST
 imposing, awesome: AUGUST
 imposing, pretentiously grand: GRANDIOSE
 impossible to extricate oneself from, impossible to disentangle or undo: INEXTRICABLE
 impress on the mind, instill: INCULCATE
 impressive, grand, stately: IMPOSING
 imprison: INCARCERATE
 imprison, confine, surround enclose within walls: IMMURE
 imprisonment, forced confinement: DUREANCE

improbable person or event introduced to untangle a story plot: DEUS EX MACHINA

improper: UNSEEMLY

improper, unseemly: UNTOWARD

improve: AMELIORATE

improvements to property: CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

improvise: AD LIB

improvised: EXTEMPORANEOUS

improvised musical passage: CADENZA

improvised to fill a need temporarily: STOPGAP

imprudent: IMPOLITIC

imprudent, unwise: INDISCREET

impudence: CHUTZPAH

impudence, boldness, audacity: EFFRONTERY

impudent young woman: BAGGAGE

impudently or ostentatiously display: FLAUNT

impulse that is creative: AFFLATUS

impulsive, hasty, rash: IMPETUOUS

impulsive or hasty action or speech: HALF-COCKED

impulsive without forethought: SPONTANEOUS

impure, to make: ADULTERATE

in name alone, not in fact: NOMINAL

in on a secret: PRIVY

in opposition to: ATHWART

in place of: LIEU

in the matter of, concerning: IN RE

in the morning, early: MATUTINAL

in wine there is truth: IN VINO VERITAS

inability to understand or use objects: APRAXIA

inactive, indolent, listless: SUPINE

inactive, settled, seated a great part of the time: SEDENTARY

inactive sluggish, dull: TORPID

inactive, still, placid: QUIESCENT

inactive for a period, especially winter: HIBERNATING

inadequate, disproportionate: INCOMMENSURATE

inadequate, not quite enough: SCANT

inadvertent or random action, accidental homicide: CHANCE-MEDLEY

inane or idle thing: VACUITY

inanimate objects possess souls, as a belief: ANIMISM

inappropriate, at odds with, unsuitable: INCONGRUOUS

inappropriate, out of place: MALAPROPOS

inattentive, heedless: UNAWARE

inborn: INHERENT

inborn: INNATE

incantation used to conjure an evil spirit: INVOCATION

incarnation of a quality or idea: AVATAR

incapable of being passed through: IMPERVIOUS

incapable of being transferred or removed: INALIENABLE

incautious, thriftless, rash: IMPROVIDENT

incense ingredient: TACAMAHAC

incentive, motivating force: IMPETUS

incentive, stimulus: FILLIP

incident or controversy attracting wide attention: CAUSE CÉLÈBRE

incidental result, by-product, new application: SPIN-OFF

incised carving: INTAGLIO

incite, foment, provoke, spur on, goad to some drastic action: INSTIGATE

incite, instigate, stir up: FOMENT

inclination, tendency, bent: PROPENSITY

inclination or slope of countryside: VER-SANT

inclination or tendency: BENT

incline downward, be of greater weights: PREPONDERATE

incline linking different levels: RAMP

include or embrace: COMPRISE

include or take in as a part of the whole: INCORPORATE

incoherent, rapid talk: GIBBERISH

incoherent talk: GABBLE

income in dollars of individuals adjusted to take account of inflation: REAL INCOME

incompetence tends to be the level achieved by the promotion of employees: PETER PRINCIPLE

incompetent, clumsy, awkward: INEPT

incomplete, broken: FRAGMENTARY

incomprehensible, dense: IMPENETRABLE

incongruity, lack of harmony: DISSONANCE

incongruous, ill-assorted: DISSOCIABLE

inconsistency, contradiction: DISCREPANCY

inconsistent or opposed, antagonistic: REPUGNANT

inconstant, changeable: FICKLE

inconvenience, bother, trouble: DISCOM-MODE

incorporate, collect, make part of a whole: EMBODY

- incorrect though popular idea of the origin of a word: **FOLK ETYMOLOGY**
- increase, addition, something added or gained: **INCREMENT**
- increase, grow, expand step by step: **ESCALATE**
- increase unduly, puff up, enlarge excessively: **INFLATE**
- increasing, enlarging, growing: **INCRESCENT**
- incriminate: **INCUPLICATE**
- incriminating position: **RED-HANDED**
- indecenty or pornography in art or literature: **COPROLOGY**
- indecent: **UNSEEMLY**
- indecent, bold, self-assertive: **IMMODEST**
- indecent, risqué: **SCABROUS**
- indecisive: **VACILLATING**
- indefinable something: **JE NE SAIS QUOI**
- indefinite, misty, foggy: **NUBILIOUS**
- indefinite or vague: **INTANGIBLE**
- indentation of all lines of a paragraph except the first, as in the format of this entry: **HANGING INDENTATION**
- independent: **AUTONOMOUS**
- independent, needing no help: **SELF-SUFFICIENT**
- independent, particularly in politics: **MUGWUMP**
- independent and supreme authority: **SOVEREIGN**
- independent in resources: **SUBSTANTIVE**
- independent of an original or main body or group: **SPLINTER**
- independent of outside control: **AUTONOMOUS**
- index to words in a particular book: **CONCORDANCE**
- Indiana resident: **INDIANIAN, HOOSIER**
- indicate, point out, signify: **DENOTE**
- indifference, dullness, stagnation, weakness, fatigue, spiritlessness: **LANGUOR**
- indifference to pleasure or pain: **STOICAL**
- indifferent: **APATHETIC**
- indifferent, apathetic: **PHLEGMATIC**
- indifferent, apathetic, lackadaisical: **LISTLESS**
- indifferent, uncaring: **POCOCURANTE**
- indifferent in a casual way, cool: **NONCHALANT**
- indigenous: **ABORIGINAL**
- indigenous, native: **ENCHORIAL**
- indignity: **AFFRONT**
- indirect, not obvious: **SUBTLE**
- indirect, slanted: **OBLIQUE**
- indirect and unexpected stroke: **BRICOLE**
- indirect mention: **ALLUSION**
- indirect method of proceeding: **AMBAGE**
- indirect or roundabout: **CIRCUITOUS**
- indirect words used to say something: **PERIPHRASTIC**
- indiscretions of youth: **WILD OATS**
- indiscriminate, especially sexually: **PROMISCUOUS**
- indispensable, without which not (nothing): **SINE QUA NON**
- indispensable, essential, whole: **INTEGRAL**
- indispensable, required: **REQUISITE**
- indisputable: **APODICTIC**
- indisputable, unquestionable: **INCONTESTABLE**
- individuals or items chosen in the expectation they will be representative of a whole group: **RANDOM SAMPLE**
- indoctrination that is coercive: **BRAIN-WASHING**
- indolent, irresponsible individual: **LOTUS-EATER**
- indolent, listless, inactive: **SUPINE**
- induce or bribe one to commit perjury: **SUBORN**
- indulgence that is excessive: **DISSIPATION**
- industrial worker: **BLUE COLLAR**
- indwelling: **IMMANENCE**
- inebriate: **INTOXICATE**
- ineffective, lazy, useless: **FAINEANT**
- ineffectual, useless: **OTIOSE**
- ineffectual person: **WEAK SISTER**
- inequality, unlikeness: **DISPARITY**
- inertness and disorder as an irreversible tendency of a system: **ENTROPY**
- inevitable, unavoidable: **INELUCTABLE**
- inevitability: **FATALISM**
- inexperienced: **CALLOW**
- inexperienced: **VERDANT**
- infallible authority, wise person: **ORACLE**
- infamy, disgrace: **OBLIQUE**
- infantile concept of a parent or loved one persisting in the adult: **IMAGO**
- infer from incomplete evidence: **CONJECTURE**
- inference or deduction: **ILLATION**
- inference resulting from concealment or misrepresentation of facts: **SUBREPTION**
- inferior, paltry, pitiable: **SORRY**
- inferior in any way: **SUBORDINATE**
- inferior in rank: **SUBALTERN**
- inferior quality: **SHODDY**

inferior substitute: ERSATZ
 inferior to an appalling degree: EXECRABLE
 infernal, dark, gloomy: STYGIAN
 infinitive in which an adverb intervenes between the "to" and the verb: SPLIT INFINITIVE
 inflamed, sore: IRRITATED
 inflated, bombastic, as a style of speech: TURGID
 inflated, overloaded: PLETHORIC
 inflated, pompous: TUMID
 inflated, pretentious: OVERBLOWN
 inflation designed by government to bring back a former price structure: REFLECTION
 inflection of words: ACCIDENCE
 inflexible, rigid: HARD-SHELL
 inflict or enforce in an arbitrary fashion: IMPOSE
 inform: APPRISE
 informal noisy gathering: CLAMBAKE
 informal word or phrase: COLLOQUIALISM
 informed, acquainted with facts: AU FAIT
 informed on current things: AU COURANT
 informer for the police: STOOL PIGEON
 ingenious, cunning, skillful: DAEDAL
 ingenious, refined: SUBTLE
 inhabitant or habitue: DENIZEN
 inharmonious, incongruous, hostile: DIS-SONANT
 inharmonious: DISSONANCE
 inherent: INNATE
 inherent, essential: INTRINSIC
 inhuman, cruel, vicious: FELL
 initial, beginning: INCEPTIVE
 initial letter or sound dropped in the development of a word: APHERESIS
 initial letter or sound the same in a series of words: ALLITERATION
 initial letters of a series of words combined to form a word: ACRONYM
 initial letters of lines forming a word: ACROSTIC
 initiate someone by subjecting him to pranks and humiliating horseplay: HAZE
 inject or add certain elements: INCORPORATE
 injection under the skin: HYPODERMIC
 injured or victimized by one's plans to injure another: HOIST BY ONE'S OWN PETARD
 injured feeling, resentment: UMBRAGE
 injurious: DELETERIOUS

injurious, deadly, malicious: PERNICIOUS
 injurious, harmful: NOCUOUS
 injurious, unwholesome: NOXIOUS
 injury, damage: LESION
 injury, harmful action, ill service: DISSERVICE
 injury or emotional shock that is severe: TRAUMA
 ink blot test used to analyze personality: RORSCHACH TEST
 inland region, remote area, back country: HINTERLAND
 inlet of sea between steep cliffs: FIORD
 inlet of the sea or mouth of a river where tide and current meet: ESTUARY
 inmost parts as in a house of worship: PENETRALIA
 inn or hostelry: CARAVANSARY
 innards, internal organs such as stomach, heart, lungs: VISCERA
 inner force that animates or guides: NUMEN
 innkeeper: BONIFACE
 innocence, peace and simplicity portrayed as associated with rural life: PASTORAL
 innocence-proving: EXCULPATORY
 innocent young woman: INGÉNUE
 innumerable, vast indefinite number: MYRIAD
 insanity: ALIENATION
 insatiable, immoderate, greedy: VORACIOUS
 inscribe or adorn with names or symbols: BLAZON
 inscription on a tomb or monument: EPIGRAPH
 inscriptions, scribbles or drawings on walls: GRAFFITI
 insect study: ENTOMOLOGY
 insensible, blunt, dull: OBTUSE
 insert, as an additional day in the calendar: INTERCALATE
 insert, throw in between other things, introduce abruptly: INTERJECT
 insert an organ within the body: IMPLANT
 insert unacknowledged addition in order to falsify a text: INTERPOLATE
 insertion, as in a wooden joint, to hide a bad fitting or to replace a broken piece: DUTCHMAN
 insertion of a sound or letter into a word: EPENTHESIS
 insertion of a word between the parts of a compound word: TMESIS

insertion of one thing into another: INTROMISSION
 insertion sign in typewritten or printed matter (^): CARET
 inside exclusive group: CLIQUE
 inside of a curved surface: CONCAVITY
 inside talk of a special group: CANT
 insider, one in the know: COGNOSCENTE
 insignia that is V shaped: CHEVRON
 insignificant, trifling, tiny: MINUTE
 insignificant, unimportant, trifling: PETTY
 insignificant amount: IOTA
 insignificant or trifling size or amount: NEGLIGIBLE
 insincere, ambiguous: LEFT-HANDED
 insincere, crafty: DISINGENUOUS
 insincere, hypocritical: PECKSNIFFIAN
 insincere or excessive: FULSOME
 insincere religious or moralistic talk: CANT
 insincere sympathy: BATHOS
 insinuation, hint, suggestion, usually derogatory: INNUENDO
 insipid, dry, lacking interest, naive, barren: JEJUNE
 insipid, flat, dull, lifeless: VAPID
 insolent: BRASSY
 insolence, rudeness: IMPERTINENCE
 insolent or rebellious: CONTUMACIOUS
 insolent treatment: AFFRONT
 inspection of one or a few typical things out of many, to insure quality: SPOT CHECK
 inspire, activate, lead, as a group: SPARK-PLUG
 inspire with ideas: IMBUE
 install, as an official: INAUGURATE
 install or place in office formally: INVEST
 installment ceremony: INVESTITURE
 instantly: IN A TRICE
 instigate, incite, stir up: FOMENT
 instigate an evil act: SUBORN
 instill, impress on the mind: INCULCATE
 institute legal proceedings: PROSECUTE
 instruct in doctrines, principles or systems of belief: INDOCTRINATE
 instructional, boringly pedagogical: DIDACTIC
 instrument similar to the xylophone: MARIMBA
 instrument that is long and tubular with a curving stem: BASSOON
 instrument to measure diameter of thickness: CALIPERS
 insubstantial, nonmaterial, spiritual: INCORPOREAL

insult, affront: INDIGNITY
 insult openly: AFFRONT
 insulting: ABUSIVE
 insulting, disrespectful: INSOLENT
 insulting rudeness in speech: CONTUMELY
 insurance risk and premium calculator: ACTUARY
 insurrection: INSURGENCE
 intact: INVIOLEATE
 intangible: IMPALPABLE
 integrity, honesty: PROBITY
 integrity lack, dishonesty: IMPROBITY
 intellect, brains: GRAY MATTER
 intellectual activity: NOETIC
 intellectual quickness, keenness: ACUMEN
 intellectual perception of something unknowable through the senses: NOUMENON
 intemperance: DISSIPATION
 intensify: AGGRANDIZE
 intensify or elevate: HEIGHTEN
 inter, bury: INHUME
 interbreeding of races: MISCEGENATION
 interest not compounded but computed on the original principal alone: SIMPLE INTEREST
 interesting and agreeable: SAPID
 intermediate point between two extremes, sometimes an average: MEAN
 interminable and difficult: SISYPHEAN
 internal organs, innards, such as stomach, heart, lungs: VISCERA
 internal rhyme, in which a word within a line of verse rhymes with the final word of the line: LEONINE RHYME
 internal-examining machine: FLUOROSCOPE
 International Criminal Police Organization: INTERPOL
 interpret or explain: EXPLICATE
 interpretation, especially of the Bible: HERMENEUTICS
 interpretation of a word, passage or work: EXEGESIS
 interpretation of words, spiritual and mystical: ANAGOGUE
 interpretation or performance of a text, role, etc.: RENDITION
 interpreter or guide for travelers in the Near East: DRAGOMAN
 interrupted, broken: DISCONTINUOUS
 interruption, as of electric service: OUTAGE
 interruption or break in continuity: INTERREGNUM

interruptions, insertions, additions in a discourse, process or series: INTERPOLATIONS

intersect, cross in form of an x: DECUS-SATE

intersecting, cutting: SECANT

intertwining, entanglement, complication: INVOLUTION

interval between events or activities, recess: INTERMISSION

intervene in behalf of another or to mediate: INTERCEDE

interweave: PLEACH

intestinal: ENTERIC

intestinal disease usually caused by eating undercooked pork: TRICHINOSIS

intestinal inflammation: COLITIS

intestinal waves of contraction that push the contents outward: PERISTALSIS

intimate friend: ALTER EGO

intimate relation: A DEUX

intimately: CHEEK BY JOWL

intricate: INVOLVED

intricate, skillful, cunning, ingenious: DAEDAL

intriguers, cabal: JUNTA

intriguing secret group: CABAL

introduce, impose, insert fraudulently: FOIST

introduce abruptly, throw in between other things: INTERJECT

introduce additions, comments, interruptions into a discourse or process: INTERPOLATE

introduce ideas or opinions into the mind of: INOCULATE

introduce or bring in something new: INNOVATE

introduce some new element into: INJECT

introduce subtly and gradually: INSINUATE

introduction, as to a field of study: ISAGOGE

introduction or preface: PREAMBLE

introduction to a book or thesis: PREFACE

introduction to an art or science: PROPÆDEUTIC

introductory remark, foreword: PROLEGOMENON

introductory statement, preface: PROEM

intrude, meddle in the affairs of others: INTERLOPE

intrude gradually, make inroads, trespass, advance beyond proper limit: ENCROACH

intrude oneself or one's opinion on someone else: OBTRUDE

intuitive, emotional: VISCERAL

intuitive knowledge, direct awareness: IMMEDIACY

invalid: VALETUDINARIAN

invalidate, debase, corrupt: VITIATE

invasion, raid: INCURSION

invasion that is sudden: IRRUPTION

invent, produce, perform without previous thought or preparation: IMPROVISE

invent a word: MINT

invent details to compensate for loss of memory: CONFABULATE

invent or make up as a story or a lie: FABRICATE

invented, false, not real: FICTITIOUS

inventive, clever, skillful: INGENIOUS

inventive, fruitful, productive: PREGNANT

inversion of the structure of the second of two parallel clauses: CHIASMUS

inverted order of words: ANASTROPHE

inverted "v" placed under a line to indicate insertion: CARET

investigate or search for information: DELVE

investigation, officially done, of the beliefs and activities of individuals: INQUISITION

investigation and discovery as a way of learning: HEURISTICS

invigorate, cheer up, pep up, stimulate: EXHILARATE

inviolable, as an oath: STYGIAN

inviting attack, vulnerable: PREGNABLE

involve, entangle, intertwine: IMPLICATE

involve in trouble: EMBROIL

involve necessarily or naturally: IMPLY

iota: TITTLE

involved, complicated, puzzling: INTRICATE

involved, foolishly wasteful procedure: RIGMAROLE

invulnerable, unfeeling: IMPASSIBLE

inward violent collapse: IMPLOSION

iridescence: OPALESCENCE

iridescence, especially on pottery: REFLET

iridescent: VERSICOLOR

iridescent, pearl-like: NACREOUS

iridescent, resembling a peacock's tail: PAVONINE

Irish pronunciation: BROGUE

iron for pressing clothes that is pointed at both ends: SADIRON

irony: ANTIPHRASIS

irregular: ANOMALOUS
 irregular, eccentric, nonconforming: ER-
 RATIC
 irregular, occasional: SPORADIC
 irregularity: ABNORMALITY
 irrelevance: IMPERTINENCE
 irrelevant: INAPPOSITE
 irrelevant remark: NON SEQUITUR
 irreligious, unbelieving: HEATHEN
 irresistibly attractive: BEWITCHING
 irresponsible, reckless, wild: HARUM-
 SCARUM
 irreverent: IMPIOUS
 irreverent remarks about God or sacred
 things: BLASPHEMY
 irritability or excitability in any part of the
 body to an abnormal degree: ERE-
 THISM
 irritable, quick-tempered: IRASCIBLE
 irritable, unruly, cranky, rebellious:
 FRACTIOUS
 irritable or gruff person, usually elderly:
 CURMUDGEON
 irritableness, peevishness: PETULANCE
 irritate: ACERBATE
 irritate, embitter: RANKLE
 irritate or upset: RUFFLE
 irritated or angry state: SNIT
 irritating, annoying: VEXATIOUS
 is it not so? (German): NICHT WAHR?

islamic prophet or messiah expected be-
 fore the end of the world: MAHDI
 island or reef especially one of coral, low
 and beside a coast: KEY
 islands, chain of: ARCHIPELAGO
 Isle of Man native: MANXMAN
 isn't it so?: N'EST-CE PAS
 isolate: INSULATE
 isolate a thought: PRESCIND
 isolated, detached: INSULAR
 isolated, private room: SANCTUM
 isolated, separated: SPORADIC
 Israeli and Rumanian folk dance in which
 dancers lock arms in a circle: HORA
 Israeli collective farm or settlement: KIB-
 BUTZ
 Israeli Constituent Assembly: KNESSET
 Israeli native: SABRA
 Italian dessert containing layers of dif-
 ferent ice creams: SPUMONI
 Italian frothy dessert made of eggs, sugar,
 and wine: ZABAGLIONE
 Italian small eating place: TRATTORIA
 itemized list of securities held by a person
 or an institution: PORTFOLIO
 items too small or too numerous to be sep-
 arately specified: SUNDRIES
 ivory, bone, or shells ornamented by cut-
 ting or carving: SCRIMSHAW

J



jabbering: BLITHERING

jacket that binds the arms to the body to restrain a violent person: STRAIT-JACKET

jammed, close together: CHOCK-A-BLOCK

Japanese American of the third generation: SANSEI

Japanese art of paperfolding: ORIGAMI

Japanese broad sash with a bow in the back: OBI

Japanese classical drama: NO

Japanese dish of thinly sliced meat and vegetables usually cooked rapidly at the table: SUKIYAKI

Japanese play on popular or comic themes: KABUKI

Japanese ritual suicide by disembowelment: HARA-KIRI

Japanese stringed musical instrument: KOTO

Japanese suicidal air attack: KAMIKAZE

Japanese syllabic writing: KANA

Japanese translucent paper screen used as a partition or door: SHOJI

Japanese verse form: HAIKU or HOKKU

Japanese wrestling system that uses size and strength of an opponent against him: JUJITSU

jar, in which moisture is retained, for storing cigars and tobacco: HUMIDOR

jar or pot, broad-mouthed and of earthenware: OLLA

jargon: ARGOT

jargon or vocabulary of a profession or class: LINGO

jaundice: ICTERUS

jaunty, gay, dashing: RAKISH

jaw, pertaining to: GNATHIC

jazz that is loud and improvised: BARREL-HOUSE

jeer, defy, scoff, mock: FLOUT

jeer, deride, sneer, laugh coarsely: FLEER

jeer or reproach sarcastically: TAUNT

jeer, taunt: GIBE

jelly-making substance: PECTIN

jerky, unsteady movement: JIGGLE

jesting, flippantly humorous: FACETIOUS

jesting, playful: JOCOSE

jesting, teasing talk: RAILLERY

Jesus' saying not found in Bible: AGRAPHA

jewelers' or watchmakers' magnifying glass: LOUPE

jewelers' weights system: TROY

jewels set so closely as to hide metal: PAVÉ

Jewish boy's coming-of-age ceremony at 13: BAR MITZVAH

Jewish civil and religious law and commentaries thereon: TALMUD

Jewish dietary standards observed: KOSHER

Jewish girl's coming-of-age ceremony: BAS (or BAT or BATH) MITZVAH

Jewish greeting: SHALOM

Jewish law and literature, also the Pentateuch: TORAH

Jewish leather cases containing Scriptural passages that are placed on the forehead and left arm during morning prayers: PHYLACTERIES

Jewish marriage broker: SCHATCHEN

Jewish mourning prayer: KADDISH

Jewish New Year: ROSH HASHANA

Jewish observance of mourning period: SIT SHIVA

Jewish Passover feast commemorating the exodus from Egypt: SEDER

Jewish school or college: YESHIVA

Jewish scroll in a small tube that is affixed to a doorpost: MEZUZA

Jewish seven-day period of mourning: SHIVA

Jews' dispersion: DIASPORA
 Jews of Spanish or Portuguese descent:
 SEPHARDIM
 jittery, balky, fretful: RESTIVE
 joined together: CONJUNCTIVE
 joint formed in carpentry: MITER
 joint government or authority shared by
 two men: DUUMVIRATE
 jointed: ARTICULATED
 joke, mischief: WAGGERY
 joke, mock: JAPE
 joker: WAG
 joker, wag: FARCEUR
 jolt, bounce, shake up and down: JOUNCE
 jolting of the neck or base of the brain, as
 in an automobile crash: WHIPLASH
 jot: TITTLE
 journey, usually short and for pleasure:
 JAUNT
 journey made for safety or as an escape:
 HEGIRA
 journey or expedition: SAFARI
 journey or laborious trip: TREK
 joy of living: JOIE DE VIVRE
 joy to the utmost, ecstasy: RAPTURE
 joyful, triumphant: JUBILANT
 joyful, vigorous, vital, spirited: EXUBER-
 ANT
 jubilant, triumphant, joyful: EXULTANT
 judge: ADJUDICATE
 judge: ARBITER
 judge's private room in court: CAMERA
 judgment lacking: INJUDICIOUS

judicial, definitive, established by decree:
 DECRETORY
 judicial order requiring one to take, or re-
 frain from, certain action: INJUNC-
 TION
 jug, narrow-necked and often enclosed in
 wickerwork: DEMIJOHN
 jug or mug in form of an old man wearing
 a three-cornered hat: TOBY
 jug or pitcher with wide mouth: EWER
 juice of grapes or other fruit that is unfer-
 mented: MUST
 juicy: SUCCULENT
 July and August hot sultry days: DOG DAYS
 jumbled, topsy-turvy, disordered: HIG-
 GLEDY-PIGGLEDY
 jumbled heap: AGGLOMERATE
 jumpy, shy: SKITTISH
 jurors summoned to fill vacancies: TALES
 jury of twelve selected after each party
 strikes a given number of names from
 a panel: STRUCK JURY
 just right, appropriate: PAT
 justice, prudence, temperance and forti-
 tude: CARDINAL VIRTUES
 justice that is ideal with the good re-
 warded and the evil punished: POETIC
 JUSTICE
 justify: VINDICATE
 justify, sufficient grounds for: WARRANT
 juvenile, trivial, silly: PUERILE
 juxtaposition of words, one to explain the
 other: APPPOSITION

K



keen, acute as in pleasure or pain: EXQUISITE

keen, cutting, acute, sharp: INCISIVE
keen, discerning, perceptive: PERSPICACIOUS

keen, discriminating: SUBTLE

keen, incisive: TRENCHANT

keenly desirous, as for food: SHARP-SET

keenness of mind: ACUMEN

keep back, suppress: STIFLE

keep vigil, go without sleep: WATCH

keeper, guard, watchman: WARDER

kept man: GIGOLO

kerchief worn by Arabs over head and shoulders: KAFFIYEH

kerchief worn on head: BABUSHKA

kettledrums: TIMPANI

key to hieroglyphics: ROSETTA STONE

kidnap: ABDUCT

kidney bean and other edible beans: HARICOT

kidney disease: NEPHRITIS

kidney removal by surgery: NEPHRECTOMY

kill by choking: STRANGLE

kill or destroy a large portion of: DECIMATE

killing action: QUIETUS

killing of a human being by another: HOMICIDE

killing of a king: REGICIDE

killing of a legislative bill by a chief executive: VETO

killing of one's brother or one's countrymen: FRATRICIDE

kind disposition: BENIGN

kind, sort, class: ILK

kind or type, as in art of literature: GENRE

kindly disposed, auspicious: PROPITIOUS

King Arthur's legendary court site: CAM-ELOT

king-killing: REGICIDE

king's deputy who rules a country, colony, etc.: VICEROY

kinship, nearness: PROPINQUITY

kissing: OSCULATION

kitchen utensil with small holes through which potatoes and other foods are pressed: RICER

knack: INSTINCT

knapsack: RUCKSACK

knee inflammation: HOUSEMAID'S KNEE

knee tendon: HAMSTRING

kneel on one knee, as in worship: GENUFLECT

knickknacks: BRIC-A-BRAC

knife with blade at right angles to the handle: FROE

knife with blade folded in that springs open when a button is pressed: SWITCH-BLADE KNIFE

knife-sharpening stone: WHETSTONE

knife that is swordlike: SNICKERSNEE

knife with a handle at each end: DRAW-KNIFE

knitted fabric, machine made: TRICOT

knitted to follow the contour of the leg or body: FULL-FASHIONED

knitting stitch that gives a ribbed appearance: PURL

knob, knot, or swelling: NODE

knobby: TOROSE

knock about or cuff: BUFFET

knock-kneed: VALGUS

knot or bun of hair worn by women at the back of the head: CHIGNON

knot that forms a loop having no free ends: HARNESS HITCH

known or able to be known, characterized by awareness: PRESENTATIVE

knowing all things, all-knowing: OMNISCIENT

knowing or perceiving: COGNITION

knowing something before it occurs: PRE-
SCIENCE
knowledge, skill: EXPERTISE
knowledge derived from sense perception:
PERCEPT
knowledge of something without con-
scious attention or reasoning: INTU-
ITION

knowledge of the right thing to say or do:
SAVOIR-FAIRE
knowledge or cognition as a subject of
study: EPISTEMOLOGY
knowledge or familiarity of a subject:
CONVERSANT
knowledge that is superficial: SCIOLOGISM
knowledgeable: GNOTIC

L



“l” pronounced like “r” or “w,” or “r”
pronounced like “w”: LALLATION

label someone as infamous: BRAND

labored, clumsy: PONDEROUS

laborer on river vessels or on the wa-
terfront: ROUSTABOUT

labor, toil: TRAVAIL

lace in which patterns are held together by
connecting threads rather than by a
net ground: GUIPURE

lack, scarcity, famine: DEARTH

lack of energy: ANERGY

lack of power or ability, impotence: IM-
PUISSANCE

lackadaisical: LANGUID

lackadaisical, indifferent, apathetic: LIST-
LESS

lacking animation, weak, listless:
LANGUID

lacking any easing: UNMITIGATED

lacking common measure or standard of
comparison: INCOMMENSURABLE

lacking fulfillment, unsuccessful: MANQUÉ

lacking particular character, not distinc-
tive: NONDESCRIPT

lacking understanding: PURBLIND

ladder hung over the side of a ship: AC-
COMMODATION LADDER

lady's maid: ABIGAIL

lag, follow slowly, drag in the mud:
DRABBLE

lamb chunks broiled on a skewer: SHASH-
LIK

lamb or other meat chunks skewered and
broiled with tomatoes, onions, pep-
pers: SHISH KEBAB

lambskin or calfskin that is untanned: KIP

lament, woeful tale, complaint: JEREMIAD

lamentation or mourning in verse or song:
ELEGY

lamentation or wailing for the deceased:
KEEN

lamp with light directed upward by a bowl
reflector: TORCHIER

land, usually a narrow piece, extending
into a body of water and connecting
two larger land masses: ISTHMUS

land between hills, especially along a
river: INTERVALE

land cultivation based on scientific princi-
ples: AGRONOMY

land extending in a narrow point from the
shore into the water: SPIT

land extending into the sea, the high point
of it: PROMONTORY

land or soil capable of being cultivated:
ARABLE

land or water vehicle or creature: AM-
PHIBIAN

land projecting into water: PENINSULA

land strip plowed or cleared to prevent
spread of fire: FIREBREAK

land tenure or distribution: AGRARIAN

landing of a plane using only electronic
signals: INSTRUMENT LANDING

landing of a spacecraft on water: SPLASH-
DOWN

landlord who lets slum dwellings run
down: SLUMLORD

language, as a science or a study:
LINGUISTICS

language, idiom, speaking style: PAR-
LANCE

language, usually hybrid, that is used as a
common speech by people having
different tongues: LINGUA FRANCA

language invented for international use:
ESPERANTO

language lacking sincere meaning or in-
tention: RHETORIC

- language or grammatical forms that are customary: **USAGE**
- language mixture: **POLYGLOT**
- language native to an area, common rather than literary language: **VERNACULAR**
- language study that assumes a formal system of signs and examines their nature and arrangement: **STRUCTURAL LINGUISTICS**
- language that conceals: **AESOPIAN LANGUAGE**
- language that is deliberately ambiguous and deceptive (Orwell coinage): **NEWSPEAK**
- language, informal and substandard, that consists of coined words and new meanings of existing words: **SLANG**
- language theory that stresses tagmemes, the smallest meaningful grammatical forms: **TAGMEMICS**
- language's smallest meaningful unit: **MORPHEME**
- lapel of a coat: **REVERS**
- large, as capital letters: **MAJUSCULE**
- large groups involved: **MACROSCOPIC**
- large system regarded as a unity: **MACROCOSM**
- lasso, lariat: **RIATA**
- last, often inferior, remnant: **RUMP**
- last part or remnant, usually of no further use: **FAG END**
- last stage of any journey or project: **HOME-STRETCH**
- last syllable of a word: **ULTIMA**
- lasting a short time, transitory, fleeting: **EPHEMERAL**
- lasting condition, sometimes specifically for life: **PERPETUITY**
- lasting or continuing a long time: **CHRONIC**
- lasting through the year: **PERENNIAL**
- late blossoming: **SEROTINOUS**
- latest fashion or word: **DERNIER CRI**
- Latin American term for a foreigner, especially an American or Englishman: **GRINGO**
- latitude, additional space for freedom of action: **LEEWAY**
- laugh at with contempt: **DERIDE**
- laugh immoderately or noisily: **CACHINNATE**
- laughable or having the power to laugh: **RISIBLE**
- laughing: **RIANT**
- laughter in a loud boisterous burst: **GUFFAW**
- laughter that is uproarious and irrepressible: **HOMERIC LAUGHTER**
- launch at high speed: **CATAPULT**
- lavish, copious, generous: **PROFUSE**
- lavish, bountiful: **MUNIFICENT**
- lavish, overflowing: **EXUBERANT**
- law derived from custom, usage or court opinions: **COMMON LAW**
- lavish, wasteful, extravagant: **PRODIGAL**
- law, especially of a municipal body: **ORDINANCE**
- law and its administration, as a science: **JURISPRUDENCE**
- law based on usage rather than legislation: **UNWRITTEN LAW**
- law of locality not applied to foreign diplomats: **DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY**
- laws to protect investors against securities frauds: **BLUE SKY LAWS**
- law that limits the time during which a particular legal action may be brought: **STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS**
- law violation less serious than a felony: **MISDEMEANOR**
- lawbreaker whose violations are habitual: **SCOFFLAW**
- lawful: **LICIT**
- lawful act performed in an unlawful way: **MISFEASANCE**
- lawless confusion: **ANARCHY**
- lawmaker, particularly a wise one: **SOLON**
- lawsuit: **LITIGATION**
- lawyer, not highly competent, who deals with small cases: **PETTIFOGGER**
- lawyer expelled from the profession: **DISBARRED**
- lawyer who is unethical or deceitful: **SHYSTER**
- layer, bed, grade: **STRATUM**
- lazy: **SHIFTLESS**
- lazy: **SLOTHFUL**
- lazy, idle: **INDOLENT**
- lazy, useless, futile: **OTIOSE**
- lazy person: **SLUGGARD**
- lazy person, idler: **FAINÉANT**
- lead, inspire, activate, as a group: **SPARK-PLUG**
- lead astray: **DELUDE**
- lead-colored: **LIVID**
- leader of a group that follows sheeplike: **BELLWETHER**
- leader of singing in church: **PRECENTOR**
- leader or chief: **COCK OF THE WALK**
- leader or one who sets an example: **FUGLEMAN**

leader who appeals to prejudices and passions: DEMAGOGUE
 leaderless: ACEPHALOUS
 leaders of new movements: AVANT GARDE
 leadership or domination of one state over another: HEGEMONY
 leadership person lacking real power: FIGUREHEAD
 leadership quality that captures imagination and inspires loyalty: CHARISMA
 leading character in a drama or a cause: PROTAGONIST
 leading to: CONDUCTIVE
 leafy: FOLIATE
 leak out, become known: TRANSPIRE
 lean, thin: SPARE
 lean body structure: ECTOMORPHIC
 leaning, lying down, reclining: RECUMBENT
 leaning, usually toward something objectionable: PROCLIVITY
 leaning, weighing or resting upon something: INCUMBENT
 leaning or bent, liking, tendency: INCLINATION
 leap year's extra day, Feb. 29: BISSEXTILE
 learn the facts, fathom: PLUMB
 learned, scholarly: ERUDITE
 learned person: PUNDIT
 learned person, scholar: SAVANT
 learned response: CONDITIONED REFLEX
 learner: ABECEDARIAN
 learning, branch of: DISCIPLINE
 learning or teaching through discovery and investigation: HEURISTICS
 least amount possible: AMBSACE
 leather produced by some process not using tanning liquor: TAW
 leather used for bookbinding: SKIVER
 leatherlike: CORIACEOUS
 leave one country to settle in another: EMIGRATE
 leaves own country to live elsewhere: EMIGRANT
 leavetaking or dismissal: CONGÉ
 leaving one's faith, party or principles: APOSTASY
 lecherous, lewd, obscene: SALACIOUS
 lecherous man: SATYR
 lecherous or malicious look: LEER
 lecture, sermonize: PRELECT
 lecture briefly setting forth details: BRIEFING
 lecture with diagrams made on blackboard: CHALK TALK

lecturer, tutor, teacher without faculty rank: DOCENT
 left- and right-handed: AMBIDEXTROUS
 left side as opposed to right side or dexter, especially in heraldry: SINISTER
 left side of a vessel as one faces forward: PORT
 left-hand page of a book: VERSO
 left-handed: SINISTRAL
 leftover: REMNANT
 leftover part, remainder: RESIDUE
 leg or arm stiffness or cramp: CHARLEY HORSE
 legs kicked out alternately from a squatting position in this Slavic folk dance by a male: KAZATSKY
 legal arrangement by which diplomatic corps members are exempt from local law: DIPLOMATIC IMMUNITY
 legal questions to which medical knowledge is applied: MEDICAL JURISPRUDENCE
 legal right to use and profit from the property of another: USUFRUCT
 legally based; by law: DE JURE
 legislative body's calling to account of an administrative official: INTERPELLATION
 legislative receptacle, figuratively, for bills to be taken up at a future time: HOPPER
 legs far apart: ASTRIDE
 leisurely gait: AMBLE
 lender who charges illegal rates of interest: LOAN SHARK
 lengthened toward the poles: PROLATE
 lenient: INDULGENT
 lenient, tolerating unusual freedom: PERMISSIVE
 lens used in movies or TV that adjusts rapidly for close-up or distance shots while holding focus: ZOOM LENS
 less severe, more moderate, milder: MITIGATED
 less than one would expect: NOMINAL
 lessen: ABATE
 lessen: ABRIDGE
 lessen in quality or value, make worse: IMPAIR
 lessen or diminish: DWINDLE
 lessen the guilt or odiousness of an offense: EXTENUATE
 lessening of productivity in proportion to increase in expenditure: DIMINISHING RETURNS

lessening of speed: RETARDATION
 let go, give up: RELINQUISH
 let it stand, as a direction used in proof-reading: STET
 lethargy: HEBETUDE
 letter, long and formal: EPISTLE
 letter delivered from same postoffice at which it was posted: DROP LETTER
 letter or sound inserted into a word: EPENTHESIS
 letter that each member of a group signs: ROUND ROBIN
 letters in early Greek and Latin manuscripts resembling rounded modern capitals: UNCIAL
 letting business act without regulation: LAISSEZ FAIRE
 level land with few or no trees: SAVANNA
 level of command: ECHELON
 level to the ground, demolish: RAZE
 lewd, grossly ribald: ITHYPHALLIC
 lewd, lustful: LECHEROUS
 lewd, sexually aroused: RANDY
 lewd, obscene, lecherous: SALACIOUS
 lewd, sexually abandoned: LICENTIOUS
 lewd or dissipated person: DEBAUCHEE
 lewd or lascivious: LUBRICOUS
 lewd or wanton: CYPRIAN
 liability or debt gradually extinguished, as by installment payments: AMORTIZED
 liability to conviction and punishment: JEOPARDY
 liable or possible: CONTINGENT
 liable to err, be misled or deceived: FALLIBLE
 liable to injury, attack, or criticism: VULNERABLE
 liberal or radical political figure: LEFTIST
 liberal or unorthodox in attitudes or beliefs: LATITUDINARIAN
 liberate, free, emancipate: MANUMIT
 lie: FABRICATION
 lie: PREVARICATE
 lie, equivocate: PALTER
 lie, humbug, sham: FLAM
 lie or lean in a relaxed manner: LOLL
 lie that is trivial and told to be polite or spare someone's feelings: WHITE LIE
 life and matter viewed as inseparable: HYLOZOISM
 life insurance policy in which the payment is double the face value in case of accidental death: DOUBLE INDEMNITY
 life is generated from living organisms only: BIOGENESIS

life is like that: C'EST LA VIE
 lifeless, automatic: MECHANICAL
 lifeless state: ABIOSIS
 life-manifesting: VITAL
 life-size drawing or illustration: MACROGRAPH
 lift up your hearts: SURSUM CORDA
 lifting to test weight or gauge: HEFT
 light, according to wavelengths: SPECTRUM
 light, airy, spiritual: ETHEREAL
 light and frothy dish fixed in that condition by adding beaten egg whites: SOUFFLÉ
 light and shade, black and white: CHIAROSCURO
 light beam passes over a surface for television or other production: SCAN
 light emitted by a substance after exposure to some form of energy: PHOSPHORESCENCE
 light meal: COLLATION
 light or heat ray bent in passage from one medium to another: REFRACTION
 light thrown by a candle on one square foot of surface one foot away: FOOT-CANDLE
 light wind: CAT'S-PAW
 light-admitting but not transparent: TRANSLUCENT
 lighthearted: BUOYANT
 lighthearted, carefree, unconcerned: INSouciant
 lighthearted, gay, carefree: ROLICKING
 lighthouse: PHAROS
 lightness, gaiety that is inappropriate, frivolity, fickleness: LEVITY
 lightning without thunder, in fitful play usually near horizon on hot evenings: HEAT LIGHTNING
 light-producing or light-conveying: LUMINIFEROUS
 light-resistant, dull: OPAQUE
 light up, make clear, enlighten, illuminate: IRRADIATE
 light-wave or sound-wave change that seems to accompany change in distance between source and observer: DOPPLER EFFECT
 like it or not: WILLY-NILLY
 likeness, image, representation, usually crudely done of a disliked person: EFFIGY
 likeness in sound: ASSONANCE
 likening one thing to something else in a

- figure of speech using "like" or "as": SIMILE
- liking, tendency, trend, leaning or bent: INCLINATION
- liking for something: PENCHANT
- limber, bending easily and gracefully: LITHE
- limit freedom: TRAMMEL
- limit or range, as of power or action: TETHER
- limited as by human or natural conditions: FINITE
- limited, narrow, provincial: PAROCHIAL
- limitless: AD INFINITUM
- limitless or vast: INFINITE
- limits: AMBIT
- line, as of men or ships, enclosing an area: CORDON
- line over a vowel indicating long sound: MACRON
- line that slants, used in printing or writing: VIRGULE
- linear markings: STRIATION
- lined: LINEATE
- linen for a household: NAPERY
- lines that make up a page, an article, an ad, etc.: LINAGE
- linger or walk aimlessly: LOITER
- lingo, cant: JARGON
- linguistical study of the structure of words: MORPHOLOGY
- link, connection, bond.: NEXUS
- linked things or events: CONCATENATION
- lion-like: LEONINE
- lip deformity consisting of a cleft, usually on the upper lip: HARELIP
- liplike: LABIATE
- liqueurs served in layers: POUSSE-CAFÉ
- liquid measure of about 63 gallons: HOGSHEAD
- liquid medicine: POTION
- liquid poured ceremonially, as in honor of a deity: LIBATION
- liquor mixed with water, soda, ginger ale, etc. and served in a tall glass: HIGH-BALL
- liquor quantity, a fifth of a gallon: FIFTH
- list, with definitions, of technical, obscure or foreign words of a work or field: GLOSSARY
- list of acknowledgments in film or TV show: CREDITS
- list of acknowledgments in film or TV show that moves vertically on screen: CRAWL
- list of articles on hand with description and quantity of each: INVENTORY
- list of candidates: SLATE
- list of goods being shipped: WAYBILL
- list of merchandise sent or services rendered; including price to purchaser: INVOICE
- list of names: ROSTER
- list of securities held by a person or an institution: PORTFOLIO
- list of supplications, with a fixed response after each: LITANY
- listen: HARK
- listen in at a college class: AUDIT
- listless: LACKADAISICAL
- listless, inactive, indolent: SUPINE
- listless, lacking animation, weak: LANGUID
- listless discontent or weariness, boredom: ENNUI
- literal translation of word or construction from one language to another: LOAN TRANSLATION
- literary club: ATHENEUM
- literary composition in a mixture of languages: MACARONIC
- literary effort that is labored and pedantic: LUCUBRATION
- literary study or scholarship: PHILOLOGY
- literary work that is short, depicting something subtly: VIGNETTE
- literature: BELLES-LETTRES
- literature or art of a cheap, popular or sentimental quality: KITSCH
- lithe, pliant, supple, agile: LISSOME
- little universe: MICROCOSM
- live in distressing conditions: LANGUISH
- live or reside in, occupy as a home: IN-HABIT
- live passively, monotonously, dully: VEGETATE
- live together: COHABIT
- live well at another's expense: BATTEN
- lively, active, spirited: VIVACIOUS
- lively, aggressive: FEISTY
- lively, brisk, dashing, self-confident: JAUNTY
- lively, changeable, volatile: MERCURIAL
- lively, cheerful, urbane: DEBONAIR
- lively, energetic: VIBRANT
- lively, quickly, briskly, in music: VIVACE
- lively, racy: PIQUANT
- lively, saucy: PERT
- lively in one's behavior: TITTUP

- lively or playful movement in music:
SCHERZO
- lively person: GRIG
- lively spirits, vivacity, gaiety, sparkle:
EFFERVESCENCE
- livelihood, food, means of support: SUS-
TENANCE
- liveliness: ALACRITY
- liveliness: BRIO
- living together of dissimilar organisms,
usually in a mutually advantageous
partnership: SYMBIOSIS
- liver inflammation: HEPATITIS
- Liverpool resident: LIVERPUDLIAN
- load a missile can lift and carry to a target:
THROW-WEIGHT
- loafer, spendthrift: WASTREL
- loafer or idler who lives off others: DRONE
- loan or prepayment of money from public
funds: IMPREST
- loan that may be terminated at any time:
CALL LOAN
- loathesome, hateful, repugnant, disgust-
ing: ODIIOUS
- loathing: ABHORRENCE
- lobby, entrance hall: FOYER
- lobster liver, considered a delicacy: TOM-
ALLEY
- local road: VICINAL ROAD
- lockjaw: TRISMUS
- lodging for soldiers in a private home:
BILLET
- lodging place that is part-time or tempo-
rary: PIED-À-TERRE
- lofty, impressive, noble, as in quality or
style: SONOROUS
- logic formula in which two premises are
laid down and a conclusion is drawn
from them: SYLLOGISM
- logic, reasoning from general to particu-
lar: DEDUCTION
- logical argument in examining ideas or
opinions: DIALECTIC
- logical rather than intuitive: DIANOETIC
- loincloth or waistcloth of printed calico
worn by Samoan natives: LAVA-LAVA
- loiter or waste time: DAWDLE
- London press: FLEET STREET
- Londoner of East End: COCKNEY
- long and polysyllabic, as of words: SES-
QUIPEDALIAN
- long and wordy, tedious: PROLIX
- long jump, as formerly known: BROAD-
JUMP
- long life: LONGEVITY
- long live: VIVE
- longing for something distant in time or
place: NOSTALGIA
- long-drawn-out explanation or narrative:
MEGILLAH
- longheaded: DOLICHOCEPHALIC
- long-sleeved robe, sashed, worn in Medi-
terranean countries: CAFTAN
- long-winded: DIFFUSE
- long-windedness: CIRCUMLOCUTION
- look, countenance, face: VISAGE
- look at closely, scrutinize: SCAN
- look like or act like someone or some-
thing: SIMULATE
- look or appearance lacking reality: SEM-
BLANCE
- look that implies malice, lechery or sly-
ness: LEER
- loose, not rigid: LAX
- loose, weak: SLACK
- loose morals: WANTON
- lopsided, unsymmetrical: SKEWED
- Los Angeles resident: LOS ANGELENO, LOS
ANGELEAN, ANGELINO
- lose heart, withdraw in fear: QUAIL
- losing contender or one expected to lose:
UNDERDOG
- loss from sale of assets: CAPITAL LOSS
- loss of an unaccented vowel at the begin-
ning of a word: APHESIS
- loss of income anticipated from eventual
reduction in supply of natural re-
sources: DEPLETION
- loss of memory: AMNESIA
- loss of muscular coordination: ATAXIA
- loss of power of speech: APHASIA
- loss of sight without organic defect:
AMAUROSIS
- lottery, often based on a horse race, in
which all the wagers may be won by
one or a few bettors: SWEEPSTAKES
- loud, full-sounding: SONOROUS
- loud, rough in sound: RAUCOUS
- loud and abusive: THERSITICAL
- loud and noisy: UPROARIOUS
- loud to an extreme: STENTORIAN
- loudness measure: DECIBEL
- loud-voiced person: STENTOR
- Louisiana descendant of the Acadian
French: CAJUN
- louse infestation: PEDICULOSIS
- love affair that is secret or illicit: IN-
TRIGUE

- love feast: AGAPE
 love insincerely (applied to a man): PHILANDER
 love letter: BILLET-DOUX
 love of mankind: ALTRUISM
 love of women: PHILOGYNY
 love potion: PHILTER
 lover or gallant of a married woman: CISCIBEO
 lover or illicit sexual companion: PARAMOUR
 lovers, secret meeting of: ASSIGNATION
 low neckline in a dress: DECOLLETAGE
 lowdown, rumor, gossip: SCUTTLEBUTT
 lower: NETHER
 lower in dignity or reputation: DEMEAN
 lower middle class: PETITE BOURGEOISIE
 lower oneself to do something: CONDESCEND
 lower price on a stock transaction than on the preceding transaction: DOWNTICK, MINUS-TICK
 lower someone in prestige or estimation: ABASE
 lowering of esteem: DISPARAGEMENT
 lowest point: NADIR
 lowest point in an orbit: PERIGEE
 low-priced stocks, selling at less than \$1 a share: PENNY STOCKS
 loyal: STAUNCH
 loyal adherent: MYRMIDON
 loyalty, obligation owed, faithfulness: FEALTY
 loyalty or friendship weakened or destroyed: DISAFFECTION
 lozenge, medicated as for a sore throat: TROCHE
 lucid, clear, understandable: PERSPICUOUS
 lucid, pure, clear, transparent: LIMPID
 lucky discoveries made accidentally: SERENDIPITY
 lucky stroke, good luck: FLUKE
 ludicrous or ridiculous situation: FARCE
 lukewarm: TEPID
 lumbering, bulky: PONDEROUS
 luminous or glowing with heat: INCANDESCENT
 lump or bump, protuberance: KNURL
 lunatic or maniac: DEMONIAK
 lurch or twist from side to side: CAREEN
 lust for or desire something belonging to someone else: COVET
 lust or sexual desire: CONCUISCENCE
 lustful: LASCIVIOUS
 lustful: LIBIDINOUS
 lustful, dissolute: WANTON
 lustful, lewd: LECHEROUS
 lustful, amorous: RANDY
 luxurious, sensual: VOLUPTUOUS
 luxury-loving person: VOLUPTUARY
 lying: MENDACIOUS
 lying abnormally: MYTHOMANIA
 lying down, growing along the ground: DECUMBENT
 lying down, reclining, leaning: RECUMBENT
 lying down or reclining: COUCHANT
 lying face down: PRONE
 lying flat, helpless, exhausted: PROSTRATE
 lying on the back, face upward: SUPINE
 lying under oath: PERJURY

M



machine for giving gloss to paper or fabric: CALENDER
 "madam-I'm-Adam" type of sentence: PALINDROME
 maddened, furiously angry: HORN-MAD
 made to order: BESPOKE
 Madrid resident: MADRILENIAN, MADRILEÑO
 magic: CONJURATION
 magic: THEURGY
 magic tricks: PRESTIDIGITATION
 magic tricks: SLEIGHT OF HAND
 magic word: ABRACADABRA
 magic words or formula: INCANTATION
 magical, mystical or divinatory arts: OCCULT
 magical, occult, relating to alchemy: HERMETIC
 magician: THAUMATURGE
 magician or sorcerer: CONJURER
 magnifying glass used by jewelers or watchmakers: LOUPE
 maid to a lady, lady's maid: ABIGAIL
 maiden name of a married woman: NÉE
 mail sent without charge as by congressmen: FRANKED MAIL
 main clause of a sentence at the beginning: LOOSE SENTENCE
 main clause of the sentence at the end: PERIODIC SENTENCE
 main course of a meal: ENTREE
 main dish or chief item in a collection: PIÈCE DE RÉSISTANCE
 main idea or substance of an argument, discussion, question: GIST
 Main resident: MAINER
 maintainable, defensible: TENABLE
 majestic: AUGUST
 make amends for, atone for: EXPIATE
 make eyes at suggestively, stare at: OGLE

make faces: GRIMACE
 make known, disclose, bestow: IMPART
 make merry, delight (in), celebrate: REVEL
 make noteworthy or call attention to: SIGNALIZE
 make or become better: AMELIORATE
 make outwardly real: EXTERNALIZE
 make over, renovate: REVAMP
 make poor or fruitless: IMPOVERISH
 make specific: CONCRETIZE
 make up, compensate: COUNTERVAIL
 make up or devise: CONCOCT
 make up or invent as a story or lie: FABRICATE
 making sense: COHERENT
 makeup of a book, newspaper, etc.: FORMAT
 male adoption of female clothing and mannerisms: EONISM
 male and female sexual organs in one individual: HERMAPHRODITE
 male ballet dancer: DANSEUR
 male ballet dancer who is the principal performer: PREMIER DANSEUR
 male counterpart of a ballerina: DANSEUR NOBLE
 male figure used as a supporting pillar: TELAMON
 male figure with pointed ears, horns and goat's legs, in Greek mythology: SATYR
 male flirt: PHILANDERER
 male genitals subjected to oral contact: FELLATIO
 male government: PATRIARCHY
 male homosexual: URANIST, URNING
 male line relationship: AGNATION
 male of beef cattle: STEER
 male sex hormone: ANDROSTERONE, TESTOSTERONE

male singer in the principal position:

PRIM'ORO

male sterilization by surgery: VASECTOMY

malevolent: ILL-DISPOSED

malformation: ABNORMALITY

malice, hate: RANCOR

malice, spite: VENOM

malicious, cutting: SNIDE

malicious, fierce, unruly: VICIOUS

malicious, unprovoked, unjust: WANTON

malicious, wicked: PERNICIOUS

malicious, wishing evil toward others:

MALEVOLENT

malicious or lecherous look: LEER

malicious or mean behavior: DOGGERY

malignant, as a disease: VIRULENT

malnutrition: CACHEXIA

mammals bringing forth living young: VI-

VIPAROUS

man about town: BOULEVARDIER

man as center: ANTHROPOCENTRIC

man hatred: MISANDRY

man in relation to environment: ANTHRO-
PONOMY

man of great beauty: ADONIS

man supported by a woman to whom he is
not married: GIGOLO

man to whom a woman is engaged:

FIANCÉ

man who dresses flashily: DUDE

manage shrewdly: MANIPULATE

manage to live: SUBSIST

manageable, compliant: TRACTABLE

management or superintendence: INTEND-
ANCE

manager, sponsor or organizer of per-
formers for entertainment: IMPRE-
SARIO

manager of another's affairs: PROCURATOR

Manchester native: MANCUNIAN

maneuver, especially in diplomacy:
DÉMARCHE

maneuver, trick, device for obtaining ad-
vantage: STRATAGEM

maneuver by craftiness: FINAGLE

maneuver for an advantage: JOCKEY

maneuver or stratagem to outwit someone:
PLOY

maneuvering, methods or management to
gain an end: TACTICS

maneuvering with ploys to gain an advan-
tage: GAMESMANSHIP

mangle, cut unskillfully, hack: HAGGLE

mangle, tear raggedly: LACERATE

manhandle, abuse, handle roughly: MAUL

mania: CACOETHES

maniac or lunatic: DEMONIAIC

manias.

(In the following listing read the
words "obsession with" ahead of
each entry.)

alcoholic liquor: DIPSOMANIA

animals: ZOOMANIA

ballet: BALLETMANIA

bees: APIMANIA

birds: ORNITHOMANIA

books: BIBLOMANIA

cats: AILUROMANIA

children: PEDOMANIA

crowds: OCHLOMANIA

dancing: CHOREOMANIA

dogs: CYNOMANIA

eating: SITOMANIA

fire: PYROMANIA

fish: ICHTHYOMANIA

flowers: ANTHOMANIA

gaiety: CHEROMANIA

grandiose things: MEGALOMANIA

horses: HIPPOMANIA

ideas: IDEOMANIA

insects: ENTOMOMANIA

money: CHREMATOMANIA

nakedness: GYMNOMANIA

one subject or thing: MONOMANIA

pleasure: HEDONOMANIA

reptiles: OPHIDIOMANIA

roaming: DROMOMANIA

solitude: AUTOMANIA

speech: LALOMANIA

stealing: KLEPTOMANIA

stillness: EREMIOMANIA

travel: HODOMANIA

wealth: PLUTOMANIA

women: GYNEMANIA

manic-depressive condition that is mild:
CYCLOTHYMIA

manifest, demonstrate convincingly, show
clearly: EVINCE

manifest, evident, obvious: PATENT

manifestation or appearance of a deity, a
showing forth: EPIPHANY

manipulation of parts of the body to cor-
rect diseases: OSTEOPATHY

mankind hater: MISANTHROPE

manlike: ANDROID

manlike apes and man: HOMINIDS

manly vigor: VIRILITY

manner: MIEN

manner in which one bears oneself, de-
portment: Demeanor

- manner of operating: MODUS OPERANDI
 manner of speech: LOCUTION
 mannerism, personal peculiarity: QUIRK
 mannerism, quirk, habit peculiar to an individual: IDIOSYNCRASY
 man's nature regarded as consisting of decisive actions rather than inner dispositions: EXISTENTIALISM
 manual guidebook: HANDBOOK
 manual or handbook: ENCHIRIDION
 manual skill, expertness: HANDYNESS
 manual training system: SLOVD
 manual worker: BLUE COLLAR
 manuscript copier: AMANUENSIS
 manuscript of a play, film, or television show: SCRIPT
 manuscript sheets gathered into a unified whole: COLLATED
 man-woman relationship without sexual activity: PLATONIC
 many and varied forms: MANIFOLD
 many-sided: VERSATILE
 map making: CARTOGRAPHY
 map of the earth with parallel longitude lines intersected by parallel latitude lines: MERCATOR PROJECTION
 map or survey used for taxation basis: CADASTER
 mapping of regions or districts: CHOROGRAPHY
 mapping or charting of area in detail: TOPOGRAPHY
 marble used for shooting: TAW
 marginal note of explanation: SCHOLIUM
 marginal, not essential: PERIPHERAL
 marine animal and plant organisms that drift or float: PLANKTON
 mark or mark as infamous: BRAND
 mark, stamp or character that is distinctive: IMPRESS
 mark between parts of a compound word: HYPHEN
 mark like a hook under letter c: CEDILLA
 mark of authenticity: CACHET
 mark of identification: EARMARK
 mark of infamy or disgrace: STIGMA
 mark or proof of genuineness or high quality: HALLMARK
 mark out boundaries or limits, separate: DEMARCATÉ
 mark out limits: CIRCUMSCRIBE
 marked with lines, striped: LINEATE
 marker or memorial of heaped-up stones: CAIRN
 market, outdoor, for dealing in second-hand goods: FLEA MARKET
 market on the decline: BEAR MARKET
 market on the rise: BULL MARKET
 marketable: VENDIBLE
 marketplace: AGORA
 markings of a spotted animal or plant: MACULATION
 markings on an envelope used in place of stamps: INDICIA
 marriage a man is forced into because of sexual relations with the woman: SHOTGUN WEDDING
 marriage after the death or divorce of first spouse: DIGAMY
 marriage between unequals in which titles and estates are not passed on to the inferior partner: MORGANATIC
 marriage broker, Jewish: SCHATCHEN
 marriage for the second time: DEUTEROGAMY
 marriage in trial form: COMPANIONATE MARRIAGE
 marriage relationship: CONJUGAL
 marriage with one of lower position: MÉSALLIANCE
 marriage within the group or tribe, inbreeding: ENDOGAMY
 marriageable because of physical maturity: NUBILE
 married male American Indian: SANNUP
 married man: BENEDICT
 married state: CONNUBIAL
 married woman: FEME COVERT
 married woman's acknowledged lover or gallant: CICISBEO
 married woman's legal status: COVERTURE
 marrying while still married: BIGAMY
 marsh, bog: MORASS
 marshy body of water: BAYOU
 marshy ground, bog: QUAGMIRE
 marshy low ground: SWALE
 martini served with pickled onion: GIBSON
 marvelous, wonderful: PRODIGIOUS
 marvelous or wonderful to tell: MIRABILE DICTU
 masculine, strong, sturdy: VIRILE
 masculine woman: AMAZON
 masculinity: VIRILITY
 masculinity, aggressive virility: MACHISMO
 mask for the eyes, worn at masquerades: DOMINO
 masochism or sadism: ALGOLAGNIA

mass, heap or collection of things:
CONGERIES

mass of things indiscriminately thrown
together: AGGLOMERATE

Massachusetts resident: MASSACHUSETT-
SAN, BAY STATER

massacre, especially directed against
Jews: POGROM

massacre or slaughter: CARNAGE

masses: DEMOS

masses, common people: HOI POLLOI

masses, pertaining to: DEMOTIC

mast or boom on a sailboat: SPAR

master of technique: VIRTUOSO

masterpiece, great work: MAGNUM OPUS

masterstroke, sudden telling blow, bril-
liant stratagem: COUP

masturbation or interruption of coitus:
ONANISM

matchless: INIMITABLE

matchless, unequalled: NONPAREIL

mate or complement to another: COUN-
TERPART

material, real, having definite shape:
TANGIBLE

materialize, concretize: REIFY

maternal or female line of a family: DIS-
TAFF SIDE

mathematical sequence in which the ratio
between each two numbers is the
same: GEOMETRIC PROGRESSION

mathematical term indicating parts into
which the whole is to be divided:
DENOMINATOR

mathematics is incapable of expressing it
in rational numbers: SURD

matter and energy, as a science: PHYSICS

mattress of straw: PALLIASSE

mature: FULL-FLEDGED

maxim: APOTHEGM

maxim: AXIOM

maxim, rule, moral guide: PRECEPT

maxim, wise saying: GNOME

maze, an intricate structure: LABYRINTH

meal: REPAST

meal, particularly dinner: PRANDIAL

meal at which guests serve themselves:
BUFFET

meal served in a restaurant complete at a
fixed price: TABLE D'HÔTE

meal that is light: REFECTION

meal that is light and informal: COLLATION

meals and room included in hotel rate:
AMERICAN PLAN

mean: PETTY

mean or malicious behavior: DOGGERY

mean or stingy practice: CHEESE-PARING

meaning, purport, general course: TENOR

meaning of language forms: SEMANTIC

meaning that is exact as stated: LITERAL

meaning that is suggested, significance:
PURPORT

meaningless, merely sociable, as applied
to talk: PHATIC

meaningless, worthless: NUGATORY

meaningless performance: CHARADE

meaningless speech: BALDERDASH

meaningless talk: ABRACADABRA

meanings of language forms, as a subject
of study: SEMANTICS

means of support, livelihood, food: SUS-
TENANCE

meantime, time between periods or
events: INTERIM

measure, especially by the hand, with
thumb and little finger extended:
SPAN

measure of length for yarn: SPINDLE

measure that is practical rather than scien-
tifically accurate: RULE OF THUMB

measure the depth of water with, or plumb:
PLUMB

measured from side to side: BREADTH

measurement of advertising space: AGATE
LINE

measurement of distance by determination
of angles: TELEMETRY

meat and vegetable stew and its broth:
POT-AU-FEU

meat broiled on a skewer: BROCHETTE

meat chunks marinated: KEBAB

meat pie topped with mashed potatoes:
SHEPHERD'S PIE

meat portion, that is small: COLLOP

mechanical man, automaton: ROBOT

mechanical way of doing something or
doing it solely by memory: ROTE

meddle, intrude in the affairs of others:
INTERLOPE

meddler in the affairs of others: KIBITZER

mediating factor between opposite things:
TERTIUM QUID

medical auxiliary or assistant: PARAMEDIC

medical graduate serving in and living at a
hospital for clinical training: IN-
TERN

medical knowledge applied to questions of
law: FORENSIC MEDICINE

medical oath setting forth a code of ethics:
 HIPPOCRATIC OATH
 medical profession symbol, wand or staff
 of Mercury: CADUCEUS
 medical technique employing needles in-
 serted into body: ACUPUNCTURE
 medical term for the branch of medicine
 dealing with functions and diseases
 of women: GYNECOLOGY
 medical-appearing substance given to
 comfort a patient or as a test control:
 PLACEBO
 medicinal liquid injected into the colon as
 a purgative: ENEMA
 medicine obtainable without prescription:
 OFFICINAL
 medicine of one's own invention, quack
 medicine, cure-all: NOSTRUM
 medicine that causes vomiting: EMETIC
 medicine that eases irritation: ABIRRITANT
 medicine that increases flow of urine:
 DIURETIC
 medicines described and listed in a book:
 PHARMACOPOEIA
 medieval chemistry: ALCHEMY
 mediocre: INDIFFERENT
 mediocre, prosaic, dull: PEDESTRIAN
 meditate or ponder: RUMINATE
 medium, moderate, in music: MEZZO
 medley: SALMAGUNDI
 medley, confused mixture: FARRAGO
 medley, mixture: POTPOURRI
 meek, apologetic, shy person: MILQUETOAST
 meeting at the same point, simultaneous:
 CONCURRENT
 meeting or secret appointment, as of
 lovers: TRYST
 meeting place, meeting or appointment to
 meet: RENDEZVOUS
 meeting to confer on a particular subject:
 SYMPOSIUM
 melancholy: ATRABILIOUS
 melancholy, gloomy: SEPULCHRAL
 melancholy, pessimism, romantic world-
 weariness: WELTSCHMERZ
 Melbourne resident: MELBURNIAN
 melodic: ARIOSE
 melodious, soothing, pleasant: DULCET
 melodious or musical: CANOROUS
 melody added to another melody:
 COUNTERPOINT
 melting: LIQUESCENT
 members or items chosen out of a group in
 the expectation they will be represen-

tative of the whole group: RANDOM
 SAMPLE
 membership on a stock exchange: SEAT
 memorable or prominent object in the
 landscape: LANDMARK
 memorandum to remind one of something
 in the future: TICKLER
 memory: RETENTION
 memory aid: MNEMONIC
 memory alone as a way of doing some-
 thing, mechanical action: ROTE
 memory blocks, speech errors or faulty
 actions: PARAPRAXIS
 memory involving clear visualization of
 objects previously seen: EIDETIC IM-
 AGERY
 memory loss: AMNESIA
 memory loss concerning muscular move-
 ments: APRAXIA
 menacing, threatening: MINACIOUS, MI-
 NATORY
 men's clothes and matters pertaining
 thereto: SARTORIAL
 men's furnishings: HABERDASHERY
 menstruation cessation: MENOPAUSE
 mental age times 100 divided by chrono-
 logical age: INTELLIGENCE QUOTIENT
 (IQ)
 mental confusion: AMENTIA
 mental derangement: ALIENATION
 mental disorder marked by separation of
 thought from emotions: SCHIZO-
 PHRENIA
 mental disorders treated by study of the
 unconscious: PSYCHOANALYSIS
 mental lapse: ABERRATION
 mental or emotional block: INHIBITION
 mental position, frame of mind: POSTURE
 mental powers impaired: DEMENTIA
 mental quickness, keenness: ACUMEN
 mental telepathy: CRYPTESTHESIA
 mental torpor, pathological: ACEDIA
 mentally deficient person: AMENT
 mentally retarded person: IMBECILE
 mentally unsound: NON COMPOS MENTIS
 mention of something by saying it will not
 be mentioned: APOPHASIS
 mention or suggest for the first time:
 BROACH
 menu with each item having a separate
 price: A LA CARTE
 mercenary, subject to bribery: VENAL
 merciless: RUTHLESS
 merciless, unrelenting: IMPLACABLE

mercy killing: EUTHANASIA
 merge gradually one into another: INTERGRADE
 merging into one of two vowels generally pronounced separately: SYNERESIS
 merited or deserved, as a punishment: CONDIGN
 merriment or spirited gaiety: MIRTH
 merry-go-round: WHIRLIGIG
 mess, confused condition: MARE'S NEST
 messenger, especially one on urgent or diplomatic business: COURIER
 messiah or prophet in Islam: MAHDI
 metal condition, as regards hardness and elasticity: TEMPER
 metal disk or spangle: PAILLETTE
 metal-and-enamel work: CLOISONNÉ
 metals and alloys, as a science: METALLURGY
 metalware with enameled or lacquered design: TOLE
 metaphorical, flowery: FIGURATIVE
 meter mixed within a poem: LOGAOEDIC
 Mexican dish of hot-seasoned meat and corn, wrapped in corn husks: TAMALES
 Mexican farm laborer who enters United States illegally: WETBACK
 Mexican flat, round cake: TORTILLA
 Mexican strong, alcoholic liquor: TEQUILA
 Michigan resident: MICHIGANITE, MICHIGANDER
 microscopic, small to the point of being incalculable: INFINITESIMAL
 middle class: BOURGEOIS
 middle number in a series of statistics: MEDIAN
 middle way: VIA MEDIA
 middleman handling transactions between company issuing new securities and the public: INVESTMENT BANKER
 midget, dwarf: HOMUNCULUS
 midway in the action rather than at the start: IN MEDIAS RES
 mighty, powerful: PUISSANT
 mild, gentle, favorable: BENIGN
 mild or bland word substituted for one that might give offense or pain: EUPHEMISM
 milder, less severe, more moderate: MITIGATED
 mildly given reproof: ADMONITION
 milieu: AMBIENCE

military aircraft on a single mission: SORTIE
 military class in command of the government: STRATOCRACY
 military court: COURT-MARTIAL
 military detachment designated to do a particular job: DETAIL
 military equipment and supplies: MATERIEL
 military equipment of the heavy variety: HARDWARE
 military headgear with visor and a flat top: KEPI
 military materiel, cannon: ORDNANCE
 military persecution: DRAGONNADE
 military position taken on enemy side of a river, defile, etc.: BRIDGEHEAD
 military science that deals with procurement, maintenance, movement, disposition of all supplies and personnel: LOGISTICS
 milk included: AU LAIT
 milklike: LACTESCENT
 milk fermented by a bacterium: YOGURT
 milk from mare or camel, fermented: KUMISS
 milk's thin part that separates from solids, as in making cheese: WHEY
 milky: LACTEAL
 milky liquid: EMULSION
 million tons of TNT as the measurement of an explosive: MEGATON
 mimic, play the part of: IMPERSONATE
 mind controlling matter: PSYCHOKINESIS
 mineral springs treatment of disease: BALNEOLOGY
 mingle in a friendly fashion with people of an enemy or conquered country: FRATERNIZE
 minor, secondary, casual: INCIDENTAL
 minor league of no note: BUSH LEAGUE
 minority incursion into a neighborhood used to frighten homeowners into selling: BLOCKBUSTING
 miracles, as a study: THAUMATOLOGY
 mirage, especially as observed in the Strait of Messina: FATA MORGANA
 mirror between two windows: PIER GLASS
 mirror for signaling by flashes of light: HELIOGRAPH
 mirror hung on horizontal pivots in a frame: CHEVAL GLASS
 misapply, distort: PERVERT
 misappropriate or embezzle: DEFALCATE

- miscarry: ABORT
 miscarry, said of animals: SLINK
 miscellany: POTPOURRI
 mischief, joke: WAGGERY
 mischief-maker: HELLION
 mischievous, harmful: MALEFICENT
 misconduct of an official: MISPRISION
 miser: SKINFLINT
 miserable person: WRETCH
 miserliness: PARSIMONY
 miserly: AVARICIOUS
 miserly, hard man: SCROOGE
 misery, suffering: TRIBULATION
 misfortune: AMBSACE
 misgiving, fear: QUALM
 mishaps in actions, speech, or memory:
 PARAPRAXIS
 mislead: BAMBOOZLE
 mislead: DELUDE
 mislead or deceive: EQUIVOCATE
 misleading talk: HUMBUG
 mismated, conflicting, discordant: IN-
 COMPATIBLE
 misrepresent: BELIE
 misrepresent, twist, bend: DISTORT
 missile with two or more warheads aimed
 at separate targets: MIRV
 missile's forward separable section de-
 signed to stand intense heat: NOSE
 CONE
 missile's nose containing the explosive:
 WARHEAD
 mistroke or misplay: FOOZLE
 mist or fog: BRUME
 mistake, error, false step: FAUX PAS
 mistress of any fashionable household:
 CHATELAINE
 misty, unclear, dark: MURKY
 misuse of words: CATACHRESIS
 miswriting of words or phrases generally
 caused by cerebral injury: PARA-
 GRAPHIA
 mix up, confuse: DISORIENT
 mix up ingredients for a drink or a dish:
 CONCOCT
 mixed fruits or vegetables used as dessert
 or salad: MACEDOINE
 mixed metaphor: CATACHRESIS
 mixed meter in a poem: LOGAOEDIC
 mixed origin, half-breed: HYBRID
 mixed-up: ADDLED, ADDLE-BRAINED,
 ADDLEHEADED, ADDLEPATED
 mixture, medley: POTPOURRI
 mixture in a society of ethnic, racial, re-
 ligious, or cultural groups: PLURAL-
 ISM
 mixture in an artistic composition of fea-
 tures from various sources: PASTICHE
 mixture of a confused mass of elements:
 MEDLEY
 mixture of languages in one literary com-
 position: MACARONIC
 mob rule: OCHLOCRACY
 mobile-home area: TRAILER PARK
 mock, jeer, defy, scoff: FLOUT
 mock, joke: JAPE
 model, pattern, typical example: EX-
 EMPLAR
 model of an apparatus or structure:
 MOCKUP
 model of the human body used to show
 off clothes: MANNEQUIN
 model or perfect standard: PROTOTYPE
 moderate, cautious, opposed to change:
 CONSERVATIVE
 moderate, restrained: TEMPERATE
 moderate tempo in music: ANDANTE
 moderately good, average: RESPECT-
 ABLE
 moderation produced by addition of an-
 other element: TEMPER
 modest, shy, coy, reserved: DEMURE
 modesty: PUDENCY
 modification of the causes of a result by
 the result itself: FEEDBACK
 moist, damp: HUMID
 moisten and rub the body with oil: EM-
 BROCATE
 moisture absorbing: DELIQUESCENT
 moisture measurement (in the air): HY-
 GROMETRY
 mold in which something is cast or
 shaped: MATRIX
 moldable: PLASTIC
 molding around the walls, close to the
 ceiling: CORNICE
 molding or casting of footprints, etc., for
 use in criminal investigation: MOU-
 LAGE
 monetary matters: PECUNIARY
 money, booty: PELF
 money bet or invested by supposedly
 knowing people: SMART MONEY
 money carried by a woman on a date to let
 her get home alone if need be: MAD
 MONEY
 money changing: AGIOTAGE
 money given to one who helped a person

- or company obtain a job or contract:
KICKBACK
- money in circulation lessened, resulting in
a decline in prices: DEFLATION
- money or assistance furnished to advance
a venture: GRUBSTAKE
- money paid to a person to prevent his dis-
closing something: HUSH MONEY
- money pooled for any specific purpose:
KITTY
- money used for corrupt political purposes:
SLUSH FUND
- money-making: LUCRATIVE
- mongolism: DOWN'S SYNDROME
- monkey or ape: SIMIAN
- monk's haircut, with the crown of the
head shaved: TONSURE
- monochromatic: HOMOCHROMATIC
- monologue: SOLILOQUY
- monstrosity, in biology: TERATISM
- monstrous act, wickedness: ENORMITY
- monthly: MENSAL
- monument to a dead person containing no
body: CENOTAPH
- moo like a cow: LOW
- moon's surface, as a subject of scientific
study: SELENOGRAPHY
- mooring rope or cable: HAWSER
- moral corruption: DRY ROT
- moral decline or decay: DECADENCE
- moral guide, maxim, rule: PRECEPT
- moral sense of right and wrong lacking:
AMORPHOUS
- moralizing, pedantic: DIDACTIC
- moralizing, trite: SENTENTIOUS
- morally bad: UNSAVORY
- morally debased, degraded: SCROFULOUS
- morally degraded: DEGENERATE
- morally neutral: ADIAPHOROUS
- morally unrestrained, unchaste: LIBER-
TINE
- more than one wife or husband at once:
POLYGAMY
- more than the regular number: SUPER-
NUMERARY
- morning call by bugle or drum signaling
the time to rise: REVEILLE
- morning song: MATIN
- morose, gloomy, grave: SATURNINE
- mortal blow or death blow: COUP DE
GRACE
- mortar that is thin and used to fill crevices
between bricks or tiles: GROUT
- mosaic pattern: TESSELLATED
- mosaic piece, as of stone or glass: TES-
SERA
- mosaic woodwork style, popular in Re-
naissance Italy: INTARSIA
- Moscow resident: MOSCOVITE
- Moses books in Bible: TORAH, PENTA-
TEUCH
- Moslem law as observed by the orthodox:
SUNNA
- Moslem prince or commander, especially
in Arabia: EMIR
- Moslem scholars: ULEMA
- Moslem term for devil: SHAITAN
- Moslem title of respect for one who has
memorized the Koran: HAFIZ
- Moslem's sacred book: KORAN
- Moslems who slew during Crusades: AS-
SASSINS
- moth or butterfly: LEPIDOPTERAN
- mother as the head of the family: MATRI-
ARCHY
- mother-of-pearl shellfish: ABALONE
- mother worship that is psychologically
harmful: MOMISM
- mother's side of the family, in kinship:
ENATE
- motion picture art and production: CINE-
MATOGRAPHY
- motion picture or recording term for an
uninterrupted run of a camera or re-
cording apparatus: TAKE
- motion study without reference to particu-
lar forces or bodies: KINEMATICS
- motionless: STOCK-STILL
- motionless, not moving: IMMOBILE
- motionless with horror or awe: TRANS-
FIXED
- motivating force, incentive: IMPETUS
- motivation or reward offered for an action:
INDUCEMENT
- motor mounted on the rear of a small boat:
OUTBOARD MOTOR
- mottled, especially in white and black:
PIEBALD
- motto or quotation prefixed to a book:
EPIGRAPH
- mound, manmade, often of great size and
very old: TUMULUS
- mound or small round hill: KNOLL
- moundy, hilly: TUMULOSE
- mountain base or foot of a mountain:
PIEDMONT
- mountain mass of separate peaks: MASSIF
- mountain nymph: OREAD

mountain range or chain: SIERRA
 mountaineering term for descent of a cliff,
 using a rope: RAPPEL
 mountains, as a study: OROGRAPHY
 mournful, sad, painful: DOLOROUS
 mournful, sad in a ludicrous manner:
 LUGUBRIOUS
 mournful, sorrowful: PLAINTIVE
 mournful, wretched: WOEBEGONE
 mourning or lamentation in verse or song:
 ELEGY
 mouth, opening: ORIFICE
 mouth and its diseases, as a branch of
 medicine: STOMATOLOGY
 mouth gaping, expanse of open mouth:
 RICTUS
 move, especially in diplomacy: DÉMARCHE
 move across: TRAVERSE
 move ahead slowly but steadily: FORGE
 move backward, withdraw: RECEDE
 move designed to gain an advantage:
 GAMBIT
 move dreamily or idly: MAUNDER
 move heavily and clumsily: FLUMP
 move or roll tumultuously: WELTER
 move rapidly, scour, search: SKIRR
 move sideways: SIDLE
 move swiftly and with force: HURTLE
 move the camera so as to photograph an
 entire scene, in movies or television:
 PAN
 move unsteadily or irregularly at sea: YAW
 move with exaggerated tosses of the body:
 FLOUNCE
 move with rumbling noise, move clumsily:
 LUMBER
 movement of inanimate objects without
 apparent external cause: TELEKINESIS
 movement or change that is constant:
 FLUX
 movements or strokes that are artful: MA-
 NEUVERS
 movement or structure that is gracefully
 proportioned: EURHYTHMIC
 movie: FLICK
 movie change in sound track from original
 language to another: DUBBING
 movie device to translate dialogue from
 one language to another by superim-
 posing lines on the screen: SUB-
 TITLE
 movie making: CINEMATOGRAPHY
 movie showing in advance of regular
 showings: SNEAK PREVIEW

moving abruptly from one condition to an-
 other: TRANSILIENT
 moving imperceptibly but harmfully: IN-
 SIDIOUS
 moving in an emotional way, touching:
 POIGNANT
 moving out in a different direction: DI-
 VERGENT
 moving rapidly: SPANKING
 much, very much, in music: MOLTO
 mud or silt deposited by flowing water:
 SULLAGE
 muddle, bewilder, obscure: OBFUSCATE
 muddle or confuse: EMBROIL
 muddled, confused: TURBID
 mug or jug in form of an old man wearing
 a three-cornered hat: TOBY
 multilingual: POLYGLOT
 multiply by natural reproduction, breed:
 PROPAGATE
 mumps: PAROTITIS
 munch or chew noisily: CHAMP
 municipal government by elected commis-
 sion: COMMISSION PLAN
 mural painting using pigments mixed with
 waterglass: STEREOCHROMY
 murder of husband by wife or wife by
 husband: MARITICIDE
 murderous: HOMICIDAL
 murmuring softly, rustling, whispering:
 SUSURRANT
 murmuring sound, as of the wind: SOUGH
 muscle and bone branch of surgery: OR-
 THOPEDICS
 muscle pain or cramp: MYALGIA
 muscle sense: KINESTHESIA
 muscle spasm that pulls the head to one
 side: TORTICOLLIS
 muscle that surrounds an opening or tube
 in the body and can open or close it:
 SPHINCTER
 muscles, as a scientific study: MYOLOGY
 muscular coordination loss: ATAXIA
 muscular development that is light:
 ASTHENIC
 muscular rigidity and irresponsiveness to
 stimuli: CATALEPSY
 muscular rigidity, stupor, occasional men-
 tal agitation: CATATONIA
 muscular spasm: CLONUS
 muscular strength: BRAWN
 museum or library overseer: CURATOR
 music at performer's pleasure: A CAPRIC-
 CIO

music by a small group, as a string quartet: CHAMBER MUSIC
 music direction calling for slowness: LENTO
 music direction to perform very loudly: FORTISSIMO
 music lacking tonality because of disregard of key: ATONALITY
 music played between stanzas of a hymn or acts of a play: INTERLUDE
 music style that is smooth and flowing: LEGATO
 music swelling in loudness: CRESCENDO
 music tempo that is moderate: ANDANTE
 music tempo that is slow: LARGO
 music with fast time: ALLEGRO
 musical, dramatic or ballet offering given between acts of play or opera: INTERMEZZO
 musical bass instrument, large, of brass and having three to five valves: TUBA
 musical brass wind instrument with coiled tube and flaring bell: FRENCH HORN
 musical brass wind instrument with long, doubled-up tube: TROMBONE
 musical composition for a story that is sung but not acted: CANTATA
 musical composition for several male voices, having no accompaniment: GLEE
 musical composition for solo instruments and orchestra: CONCERTO
 musical composition in which a theme is repeated contrapuntally: FUGUE
 musical composition on a religious subject for voices and orchestra: ORATORIO
 musical composition suggestive of improvisation: RHAPSODY
 musical composition that is playful and lively: HUMORESQUE
 musical direction meaning more: PIU
 musical double-reed woodwind instrument: OBOE
 musical flourish: CADENZA
 musical instrument in the flute category: PICCOLO
 musical instrument like a piano in which strings are plucked: HARPSICHORD
 musical instrument that has wooden bars of graduated length that are struck with wooden hammers: XYLOPHONE
 musical instrument with double reed and low pitch: ENGLISH HORN
 musical instrument with metal bars that

produce bell-like tones when struck: GLOCKENSPIEL
 musical instrument with metal strings that is played with two small hammers: DULCIMER
 musical notation for some stringed instruments that indicates rhythm and fingering: TABULATURE
 musical note that ornaments or embellishes a more important note: GRACE NOTE
 musical notes that are short and detached: STACCATO
 musical or melodious: CANOROUS
 musical passage ending a composition: CODA
 musical passage or movement that is stately: MAESTOSO
 musical piece consisting of parts of different songs: MEDLEY
 musical play in a light vein: OPERETTA
 musical section once considered essential to a proper performance but now often optional: OBLIGATO
 musical sliding effect: GLISSANDO
 musical solo composition or an exercise designed to perfect some technique: ETUDE
 musical style of West Indies: CALYPSO
 musical term for gradual slackening of tempo: RITARDANDO
 musical term for medium, moderate: MEZZO
 musical term for quick: PRESTO
 musical term for slowing down gradually: RALLENTANDO
 musical term for slightly, somewhat: POCO
 musical term for very fast: PRESTISSIMO
 musical term for very soft: PIANISSIMO
 musical trembling effect caused by rapid, tiny variations in pitch: VIBRATO
 musical use of syllables, as do, re, mi, etc.: SOLMIZATION
 musician of eminence or a master in any art: MAESTRO
 musing, daydreaming: REVERIE
 muslin of a thin weave: TARLATAN
 mustard plaster: POULTICE
 musty, moldy, old-fashioned: FUSTY
 mutilate a book by cutting out the illustrations: GRANGERIZE
 mutilation, destruction or alteration, especially of a legal document: SPOLIATION

mutual: RECIPROCAL, BILATERAL

mysterious: ARCANÉ

mysterious: CABALISTIC

mysterious, defying understanding: IN-
SCRUTABLE

mystery story: WHODUNIT

mystic or secret system: CABALA

mystical: ANAGOGIC

mystical poem or song: RUNE

mystical status attributed to a person, an
institution, an activity, etc.: MYS-
TIQUE

mystifying, secret, hidden, puzzling:
CRYPTIC

myths explained on the premise that they
are based on actual events: EUHE-
MERISM

N



nag at: BADGER
 nagging, petty: NIGGLING
 nail, claw, hoof: UNGUIS
 nail that is slender and small with a small head: BRAD
 naive, insipid, dry, lacking interest, barren: JEJUNE
 naive, straightforward, frank, innocent, simple: INGENUOUS
 name: APPELLATION
 name derived from a place, place name: TOPONYM
 name of broker rather than customer used in securities holdings: STREET NAME
 name of individual used for a class: ANTONOMASIA
 name of one person taken by another: ALLONYM
 name of person from which name of a state or institution is derived: EPONYM
 name of plant or creature in common rather than scientific language: VERNACULAR
 name of writer at head of article: BYLINE
 name only, nominal: TITULAR
 name plate, signature, trademark, etc., on a single type plate: LOGOTYPE
 name replaced by title or epithet: ANTONOMASIA
 nameless, anonymous: INNOMINATE
 namely: VIZ
 namely, to wit: SCILICET
 names, terminology: NOMENCLATURE
 names, as a study: ONOMASTICS
 naming a parent after his or her child: TEKNONYMY
 naming a thing by substituting one of its attributes or a term it suggests: METONYMY

nape: SCRUFF
 nape, back of the neck: NUCHA
 narcotic made from Indian hemp: HASHISH
 narrow, close or small margin or space: HAIRBREADTH
 narrow, limited, provincial: PAROCHIAL
 narrow, unsophisticated: PROVINCIAL
 narrow elevated walking space: CATWALK
 narrow or limited in outlook, provincial: INSULAR
 narrowed: ANGUSTATE
 narrow-minded: PETTY
 narrow-minded, bigoted, obstinate: HIDE-BOUND
 nasal tone: SNUFFLE
 nation's total production of goods and services: GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (G.N.P.)
 native, indigenous: ENCHORIAL
 native language of a place: VERNACULAR
 native person, animal or thing: INDIGENE
 native to a given area, peculiar to a given country or people: ENDEMIC
 native to a region: INDIGENOUS
 native to or in a place: ABORIGINAL
 natural, coarse, unrefined: EARTHY
 natural, existing from birth: INBORN
 natural accompaniment, attribute or endowment: APPANAGE
 natural attraction: AFFINITY
 natural resources diminishing in supply therefore reducing income from them: DEPLETION
 natural response to stimulus: INSTINCT
 natural roughness or lack of polish: AGRESTIC
 natural virtues: CARDINAL VIRTUES
 nauseated: QUEASY, SICKENED
 nauseated or shocked easily, prudish: SQUEAMISH

- navel: UMBILICUS
 navel contemplation: OMPHALOSKEPSIS
 near, neighboring, adjoining: VICINAL
 nearly, almost: WELL-NIGH
 nearness: CONTIGUITY
 nearness: PROXIMITY
 nearness, kinship: PROPINQUITY
 nearsighted, obtuse: MYOPIC
 necessarily: PERFORCE
 necessary means: WHEREWITHAL
 neck ailment caused by muscle contraction: TORTICOLLIS
 neck or base of the brain jolted, as in an automobile crash: WHIPLASH
 necklace worn high around the throat: CHOKER
 neckline cut low in a dress: DECOLLETAGE
 necktie, wide and soft, knotted loosely: WINDSOR TIE
 necktie or scarf: CRAVAT
 neck's back part: SCRUFF
 need for, lack of, or desire for: DESIDERATE
 needle-pricking body tissues to diagnose or remedy ills: ACUPUNCTURE
 needful or right to be: BEHOOVE
 negative of a statement's opposite used to express an affirmative: LITOTES
 neglect, disregard: SLIGHT
 neglect, overlook, disregard: PRETERMIT
 neglect or failure to meet an obligation: DEFAULT
 neglect or willful omission, failure in duty: DERELICTION
 neglected, abandoned, unused condition: DESUETUDE
 neglected, decayed, in disrepair: DILAPIDATED
 negligent, careless: REMISS
 negotiations between organized workers and their employers: COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
 neighboring, near: VICINAL
 nerve inflammation: NEURITIS
 nervous excitement, anxiety, agitation: DITHER
 nervous or restless movements: FIDGET
 nervous system and its disorders, as a study: NEUROLOGY
 nervously excited, overstrained: OVERWROUGHT
 nest in high place of a predatory bird: AERIE
 network: RETICULATION
 network, complicated interconnection of parts: PLEXUS
 network or system to catch a criminal: DRAGNET
 neurotic condition caused by feelings of inferiority: INFERIORITY COMPLEX
 nevertheless: NOTWITHSTANDING
 new birth, revival: RENASCENCE
 new convert, beginner, novice: NEOPHYTE
 new life, restoration, reconstitution: REGENERATION
 new movement leaders: AVANT GARDE
 new word or new meaning for existing word: NEOLOGISM
 New York Stock Exchange: BIG BOARD
 newcomer to an organization, cult, fraternity: INITIATE
 newly born: YEANLING
 newly conceived, just developing: NASCENT
 newly introduced element: INNOVATION
 newly married man: BENEDICT
 newly rich or influential, upstart: PARVENU
 news correspondent who works part time for a paper elsewhere: STRINGER
 newspaper or magazine listing of editors, staff and owners: MASTHEAD
 newspaper section in European papers usually at the bottom of the page, where fiction is printed: FEUILLETON
 newspaper with sheets half the standard size, and usually emphasizing pictures: TABLOID
 newspaper work shift beginning during the late night hours: LOBSTER SHIFT
 newspaper's early edition: BULLDOG EDITION
 newsstand, bandstand, booth, usually lightly constructed and open: KIOSK
 next: PROXIMATE
 next to nothing: AMBSACE
 next to the last: PENULTIMATE
 niches for cinerary urns or as vaults for the dead: COLUMBARIUM
 nickname: SOBRIQUET
 night and day of equal length, marking start of spring or autumn: EQUINOX
 night club with recorded music for dancing: DISCOTHÈQUE
 night or moon blindness: NYCTALOPIA
 night vigil over a body before burial: WAKE
 nightmare: INCUBUS

nine inches long: SPAN
 nine-day prayer recitation: NOVENA
 ninefold: NONUPLE
 90 to 100 years old: NONAGENARIAN
 nipple's dark circular background: ARE-OLA
 no fraud or trickery: ABOVEBOARD
 no ifs, ands, or buts: CATEGORICAL
 no let-up: CONTINUOUS
 nobility's obligations (French): NOBLESSE OBLIGE
 noble, lofty or impressive, as in quality or style: SONOROUS
 no-contest plea in criminal case without admission of guilt: NOLO CONTENDERE
 nodding of the head: NUTATION
 noise measure: DECIBEL
 noise that is clattering: BRATTLE
 noise that is shrill, creaking or grating: STRIDOR
 noisily crashing, as waves: PLANGENT
 noisy: CLAMOROUS
 noisy: VOCIFEROUS
 noisy and loud: UPROARIOUS
 noisy commotion of a crowd: TUMULT
 noisy confusion: BEDLAM
 noisy disturbance: FRACAS
 noisy gaiety, boisterous merriment: HILARITY
 noisy ghost: POLTERGEIST
 nominal, in name only: TITULAR
 nonconforming, contrary: PERVERSE
 nonconformist: MAVERICK
 nonconformist: RECUSANT
 nonconformity: DISSENT
 nonessential attribute: ACCIDENTAL
 noninterference, especially by government in business: LAISSEZ FAIRE
 nonmaterial, spiritual, insubstantial: INCORPOREAL
 nonsense: ABRACADABRA
 nonsense: AMPHIGORY
 nonsense: BALDERDASH
 nonsense, meaningless chatter: SKIMBLE-SCAMBLE
 nonsense, worthless, rubbish: TRUMPERY
 nonviolent opposition: PASSIVE RESISTANCE
 noodles, broad and flat, served with butter or a sauce: FETTUCCINE
 normal consequence: COROLLARY
 North African city's crowded section: CASBAH

nose, humorous name for a large nose: PROBOSCIS
 nose and its diseases, as a branch of medicine: RHINOLOGY
 nosebleed: EPISTAXIS
 not concrete: ABSTRACT
 not inherent: ADVENTITIOUS
 not moving, motionless: IMMOBILE
 "not to mention . . .": APOPHASIS
 notch or cut carved out by a saw or ax: KERF
 notched at the edge: SERRATED
 notched or indented, as a battlement on a fortress: CRENELATED
 notched pattern on edge of fabric: PINKED
 notches along an edge or border, space from a margin: INDENTION
 notes in music lengthened or shortened arbitrarily: RUBATO
 notes in music that are short and detached: STACCATO
 notes of chord played in quick succession: ARPEGGIO
 notify: APPRISE
 notion or fancy that emerges suddenly: WHIM
 notoriety that is evil: INFAMY
 notoriously bad: ARRANT
 notoriously bad, odious, vile reputation: INFAMOUS
 nouns linked by conjunction that express same thought as noun with modifier: HENDIADYS
 nourish, rear, train: NURTURE
 nourishment: ALIMENT
 novel that includes actual persons under fictitious names: ROMAN À CLEF
 novel that is brief and often contains a moral: NOVELLA
 novice: ABECEDARIAN
 novice, beginner: NEOPHYTE
 novice, beginner: TYRO
 noxious, harmful: VIRULENT
 noxious, unwholesome atmosphere, influence, effect, etc.: MIASMA
 nuclear bomb: A-BOMB
 nucleus or core of a group: CADRE
 nudge or touch with a slight jar, shake lightly, stimulate: JOG
 null and void: DIRIMENT
 null and void: INVALID
 numb: TORPID
 number in arithmetic from which the subtrahend is to be subtracted: MINUEND

number that is divisible by two or more numbers: COMMON MULTIPLE
 number of members necessary for an assembly to transact business: QUORUM
 number sequence in which the ratio between each two terms is the same: GEOMETRIC PROGRESSION
 number symbols from 0 to 9: DIGITS
 number the pages of a book: FOLIATE, PAGINATE
 number to be subtracted from another: SUBTRAHEND
 number-using computer: DIGITAL COMPUTER
 numberless: MYRIAD

numerous, great numbers: MULTITUDINOUS
 nun's headdress covering head, cheeks, and neck: WIMPLE
 nuptial poem or song: EPITHALAMIUM
 nurse who rears a child without suckling it: DRY NURSE
 nutrition and its processes: TROPHIC
 nutrition that is defective or perverted: DYSTROPHY
 nymph dwelling in or presiding over woods and trees: DRYAD
 nymph fabled to live and die in the tree which she inhabited: HAMADRYAD



oath plus written statement: AFFIDAVIT
oath taken by a prospective witness or juror: VOIR DIRE
oath taker: JURANT
obedience or servility that is excessive: OBSEQUIOUS
obedient: DUTEOUS
object made by man: ARTIFACT
object of attention: CYNOSURE
object to, hesitate, take exception to: DEMUR
object serving as a boundary mark or guide to travelers: LANDMARK
object regarded as having magical powers: FETISH
objection that is trivial: QUIDDITY
objectionable, offensive: OBNOXIOUS
objective, impartial, unbiased: DISPASSIONATE
objective, unbiased: DISINTERESTED
objectivity: DISINTEREST
obligation or penalty established by authority: IMPOSITION
obligation owed, faithfulness, loyalty: FEALTY
obligatory: INCUMBENT
obligatory: IRREMISSIBLE
obligatory, required: MANDATORY
obligingness: COMPLAISANCE
oblique direction taken: SKEW
oblique earth deposited by water: ALLUVIUM
oblique or diagonal line: BIAS
oblivion, forgetfulness: LETHE
oblivion-producing potion: NEPENTHE
oblong-shaped cut gem: BAGUETTE
obscene: SCATOLOGICAL
obscene, lecherous, lewd: SALACIOUS
obscene, vulgar: FESCENNINE
obscene talk or conduct: BAWDRY
obscure: AMBIGUOUS

obscure: INCOMPREHENSIBLE
obscure, dim, pertaining to twilight: CREPUSCULAR
obscure, muddle, bewilder,: OBFUSCATE
obscure, overshadow, surpass: ECLIPSE
obscure, unclear, misty, dark: MURKY
obscure or ambiguous saying, riddle, puzzle: ENIGMA
obscure poem or song: RUNE
obsequious, servile: SUBSERVIENT
observation and analysis of one's own thoughts and feelings: INTROSPECTION
observation area built on the roof of a house: WIDOW'S WALK
observation spot or point: COIGN OF VANTAGE
observe, discern, discover with the eye: DESCRy
obsession: IDÉE FIXE
obsession, craze: MANIA. For a listing of such conditions see "manias"
obsolete, outdated, discarded: SUPERANNUATED
obstacle: IMPEDIMENT
obstinacy: PERTINACITY
obstinate, narrow-minded, bigoted: HIDEBOUND
obstinate, sinful: UNREGENERATE
obstinate, shrewd, practical: HARDHEADED
obstinate, unmanageable: REFRACTORY
obstinately resistant: DIE-HARD
obstruct, block: STYMIE
obstruct, frustrate, foil: THWART
obstruct, hinder: CRIMP
obstruction of action through time-killing tactics: FILIBUSTER
obtain by entreaty: IMPETRATE
obtrude or force oneself or one's will on another without right: IMPOSE

obtrusive, forward, pushy: OFFICIOUS
 obtuse, nearsighted: MYOPIC
 obvious, manifest, evident: PATENT
 occasional: SPORADIC
 occult: CABALA
 occupation, avocation, interest: PURSUIT
 occupation, career: VOCATION
 occupation for which one is suited and well equipped: MÉTIER
 occupy, amuse oneself: DISPORT
 occupy completely, monopolize, absorb: ENGROSS
 occurring or existing at the same time: SIMULTANEOUS
 occurring together: CONCOMITANT
 ocean grave of the drowned: DAVY JONES'S LOCKER
 ocean wave, destructive, caused by underwater earthquake: TSUNAMI
 oceanic: PELAGIC
 oceanic: THALASSIC
 odd, freakish: WHIMSICAL
 odd, unconventional: OUTRÉ
 odd, wild idea: VAGARY
 odious, notoriously bad, vile reputation: INFAMOUS
 odor from decaying matter: EFFLUVIUM
 off-color, suggestive: RISQUÉ
 offense against sovereign authority, treason: LESE MAJESTY
 offense given or taken: UMBRAGE
 offense not so serious as a felony, in law: MISDEMEANOR
 offensive, disagreeable: UNSAVORY
 offensive, disgusting, stinking, noxious: NOISOME
 offensive, objectionable: OBNOXIOUS
 offensive because of excessiveness or insincerity: FULSOME
 offer: PROFFER
 offer, as money: TENDER
 offhand: CASUAL
 offhand, free and easy: CAVALIER
 offhand, spur of the moment: IMPROMPTU
 office or position that pays, but involves few or no duties: SINECURE
 offices filled through political power: PATRONAGE
 official approval as of a literary work: IMPRIMATUR
 official arbitrary decree: UKASE
 official defeated in an election but filling out an unexpired term: LAME DUCK
 official who is pompous or pretentious: PANJANDRUM

official who is tyrannical: SATRAP
 officials, etc., arranged by rank: HIERARCHY
 offset: COUNTERBALANCE
 offset, make up, compensate: COUNTERVAIL
 offshoot, branch: RAMIFICATION
 offspring: PROGENY
 offspring, descendant: SCION
 offspring of a stallion and a female ass: HINNY
 offspring of parents of different racial stock: HALF-BREED
 offstage waiting room for performers: GREEN ROOM
 oil consecrated for use in church: CHRISM
 oil or grease something: LUBRICATE
 oil well from which oil spouts: GUSHER
 oily: OLEAGINOUS
 oily, greasy: PINGUID
 oily-tongued, suave to an excess: UNCTUOUS
 old, infirm, doting: SENILE
 old age, senility: DOTAGE
 old age, as a branch of medicine: GERIATRICS
 old age weakness: CADUCITY
 old-fashioned: ANTEDILUVIAN
 old fashioned: DÉMODÉ
 old-fashioned: PASSÉ
 old-fashioned, fussy person: FUDDY-DUDDY
 old-fashioned, musty, moldy: FUSTY
 old-fashioned, out of step with the times, ancient, outmoded: ANTEDILUVIAN
 old-fashioned or ultra-conservative person: FOGY
 old maid: SPINSTER
 old men forming a governing body: GERONTOCRACY
 old salt, veteran sailor: SHELLBACK
 Old Testament interpretation largely mystical: ANAGOGÉ
 old-woman-like: ANILE
 omelet prepared with ham, onion, and green pepper: WESTERN OMELET
 omen, portent: AUGURY
 omen, warning, portent: PRESAGE
 omen of death: KNELL
 ominous, awesome: PORTENTOUS
 omission of conjunctions: ASYNDETON
 omission of understood word or words: ELLIPSIS
 omission of words from a sentence but leaving the meaning intact: ELISION

omit a vowel or syllable in pronunciation:

ELIDE

omitting, passing over: PRETERITION

omnipresent: UBIQUITOUS

on the agenda for consideration: ON THE TAPIS

on the alert, wide-awake: ON THE QUI VIVE

on the up-and-up: ABOVEBOARD

on your mark, get set, go: ASYNDETON

one behind the other, as on a bicycle built for two: TANDEM

one-colored: MONOCHROME

one dollar per share of stock: POINT

one-eyed: POLYPHEMUS

one following another: SERIATIM

one hundred years: CENTENARY, CENTENNIAL

one husband at a time: MONANDROUS

one leg on each side of something: ASTRIDE

one-man rule with absolute power: AUTOCRACY

one of a kind, unique: SUI GENERIS

one side only: UNILATERAL

one-sided: EX PARTE

one-sided in heaviness or size: LOPSIDED

onomatopoeia: ECHOISM

ooze or trickle forth: EXUDE

open: ABOVEBOARD

open, unconcealed, evident: OVERT

open out, develop: EVOLVE

open paved area adjoining a home: PATIO

open to injury, attack, or criticism: VULNERABLE

open to question, arguable: DISPUTABLE

open to the sky, unroofed: HYPETHRAL

open-handed in giving: MUNIFICENT

opening, break or interruption of continuity, gap: HIATUS

opening, mouth: ORIFICE

opening cut in an interior wall of a church to allow those in a side aisle to see the main altar: HAGIOSCOPE

opening move in chess: GAMBIT

opening or slit in the upper part of a dress or skirt: PLACKET

opening oration at a commencement: SALUTATORY

opening performance: PREMIERE

open-minded: PERVIOUS

opera in which music is subordinated to words: SINGSPIEL

opera singer of note: DIVA

opera's verbal text: LIBRETTO

operetta form in Spain: ZARZUELA

opinion adopted beforehand: PRECONCEPTION

opinion or agreement that is general: CONSENSUS

opinion or belief contrary to established doctrine: HERESY

opinionated, but immature: SOPHOMORIC

opponent who takes wrong side per-versely: DEVIL'S ADVOCATE

oppose, argue: CONTROVERT

oppose, contradict, deny: GAINSAY

oppose, thwart: TRAVERSE

oppose or protest by pleading: REMONSTRATE

opposed or inconsistent: REPUGNANT

opposed to change or progress, conservative: REACTIONARY

opposed to usual beliefs: HETERODOX

opponent, pursuer, or antagonist who is unusually tenacious: NEMESIS

opposite: POLAR

opposite or reversed in order or effect: INVERSE

opposite sides: ANTIPODAL

opposite word: ANTONYM

opposite meaning to words said sarcastically or humorously or with opposite result to what is expected: IRONY

opposite terms combined in one phrase: OXYMORON

opposition expressed: ADVERSATIVE

opposition that is nonviolent: PASSIVE RESISTANCE

opposition to human education: OBSCURANTISM

oppressive thing, burden: INCUBUS

optical device in which pictures on both sides of a card or disk appear to blend when the card is twirled: THAUMATROPE

optimistic, buoyant, cheerful: SANGUINE

optimistic, happy: UPBEAT

optimistic about rising prices, as in the stock market: BULLISH

oracular or ambiguous: DELPHIC

oral, not written, referring especially to wills: NUNCUPATIVE

oral, spoken: VIVA VOCE

oral defamatory statement: SLANDER

oral teaching: CATECHESIS

oration opening a commencement: SALUTATORY

oratory that is bombastic and artificial: DECLAMATION

- orbital point farthest from the earth: APOGEE
- orbital point of a celestial body or satellite that is nearest to the earth: PERIGEE
- orbital point that is nearest the sun: PERIHELION
- orbiting man-made body: SATELLITE
- orchestra seats in a theater: PARQUET
- order, command, forbid: ENJOIN
- order, decree, enact: ORDAIN
- order or send back: REMAND
- order requiring certain action: MANDAMUS
- order requiring one to take, or refrain from, a certain action: INJUNCTION
- order that is positive and authoritative: FIAT
- order to buy or sell at the most advantageous price: MARKET ORDER
- order to buy or sell securities that is good only for the day on which it was entered: DAY ORDER
- ordinary, commonplace: MUNDANE
- ordinary, simple, commonplace: EXOTERIC
- ordinary, uninspired, commonplace: PROSAIC
- ordinary or hackneyed: BANAL
- ordinary people, common run: RUCK
- organ that uses reeds and resembles a harmonium: MELODEON
- organic equilibrium: HOMEOSTASIS
- organic whole has a reality other and greater than the sum of its parts, according to this theory: HOLISM
- organisms derived asexually from a common ancestor: CLONE
- organisms in relation to their environment: ECOLOGY
- organizer, manager or sponsor of performers for entertainment: IMPRESARIO
- organ-like instrument with steam whistles: CALLIOPE
- orgy: BACCHANAL
- origin: PROVENANCE
- original, creative: PROMETHEAN
- original, first, principal: PRIMAL
- original, primitive, elemental: PRIMORDIAL
- original condition, unused, brand new: MINT CONDITION
- original pattern: ARCHETYPE
- originate, begin, commence: INITIATE
- originate, bring forth: SPAWN
- ornament, decorate: EMBELLISH
- ornament or mark used in typography: DINGBAT
- ornament or trinket either gaudy or trifling: FALLAL
- ornament resembling a twisted cable or cord: TORSADE
- ornament that hangs: PENDANT
- ornament the edge with a series of indentations: ENGRAIL
- ornament with raised figures worked on a surface as decoration: EMBOSS
- ornamental openwork usually composed of interlaced parts: FRETWORK
- ornamental stand with shelves: ÉTAGÈRE
- ornamentation done with tools, as on leather: TOOLING
- ornamentation or style that is extravagant: BAROQUE
- ornamentation with wavy lines or patterns, or with inlaying or etching, as on iron or steel: DAMASCENE
- ornamented excessively: ORNATE
- ornamental relief work in metal: TOREUTICS
- ornamented tastelessly, showy and cheap: TAWDRY
- ornate, excessively flowery: FLORID
- ornate, florid, showy, bombastic: FLAMBOYANT
- ornate writing: PURPLE PROSE
- ornateness to excess: FROUFROU
- ostentatious, affecting superiority: PRETENTIOUS
- ostracize: BLACKBALL
- ostracize, banish from society: SEND TO COVENTRY
- O the times! O the customs!: O TEMPORA! O MORES!
- out and out: ARRANT
- out of action: HORS DE COMBAT
- out of business: DEFUNCT
- out of control: RAMPANT
- out of date, not current: OBSOLETE
- out of place, inappropriate: MALAPROPOS
- out of proportion, not in accordance: INCOMMENSURABLE
- out-of-the-blue element introduced to untangle a story plot: DEUS EX MACHINA
- outbreak of violence: RAMPAGE
- outburst of passion or emotion: ACCESS
- outburst that is sudden and turbulent: PAROXYSM
- outcast, one socially rejected: PARIAH
- outcome in a plot: DENOUEMENT
- outcome that is possible: EVENTUALITY
- outcry, clamor, shouting: HUE AND CRY

outdated, obsolete, discarded: SUPER-
ANNUATED
outdoor celebration, especially a dinner or
bazaar: FETE
outdoor party: FETE CHAMPETRE
outer coating or covering, especially a nat-
ural covering: INTEGUMENT
outflow: EFFLUENT
outgoing person: EXTROVERT
outgrowth that is unnatural such as a wart:
EXCRESCENCE
outlaw, condemn, prohibit: PROSCRIBE
outline: PROSPECTUS
outline, form, shape: FIGURATION
outline, trace out, describe: DELINEATE
outline of the main points of a course of
study: SYLLABUS
outline or structure of something: CON-
FORMATION
outline sketchily: ADUMBRATE
outlying areas: PURLIEU
outmoded, old-fashioned, ancient, out of
step with the times: ANTEDILUVIAN
outmost limit: JUMPING-OFF PLACE
outpatient department of hospital: POLI-
CLINIC
outpouring, as of words: SPATE
outrageous, notorious, shocking, disgrace-
ful: FLAGRANT
outside, not central: PERIPHERAL
outside the jurisdiction of a state or coun-
try: EXTRATERRITORIAL
outside the nature of something: EXTRIN-
SIC
outspoken, definite, clear, straightforward:
EXPLICIT
outstanding: PREEMINENT
outstanding, important feature: HIGHLIGHT
outwardly real, or made outwardly real:
EXTERNALIZED
outwit, avoid: CIRCUMVENT
outwit, cheat: EUCHRE
ovary removal from a female animal:
SPAY
oven or furnace for baking or drying
bricks, pottery, cement: KILN

overabundance: PLETHORA
overbearing, arbitrary: HIGHHANDED
overcome, beat: DRUB
overdemonstrative: EFFUSIVE
overdo, as an argument: BELABOR
overelaborate, florid: ROCOCO
overflowing: INUNDANT
overflowing, full: TEEMING
overflowing, lavish: EXUBERANT
overflow or rise of a stream occurring sud-
denly: FRESHET
overlapping edges as in tiles or shingles:
IMBRICATE
overloaded, inflated: PLETHORIC
overlook, disregard: PRETERMIT
overlook something as if it had not hap-
pened: CONDONE
overly polite: CEREMONIOUS
overnice, squeamish: FASTIDIOUS
overprecise, finicky: NIGGLING
overrefined in behavior, writing, etc.:
PRECIOUS
overrun, occur in large numbers so as to
be annoying or dangerous: INFEST
overshadow, obscure, surpass: ECLIPSE
overshadowing: ADUMBRAL
oversight: INADVERTENCE
oversimplifying problems: SIMPLISTIC
overspread, as with color: SUFFUSE
overstatement or exaggeration intended for
the effect and not to be taken serious-
ly: HYPERBOLE
overstrained, nervously excited: OVER-
WROUGHT
overthrow of a government, usually sud-
den and often accompanied by vio-
lence: COUP D'ÉTAT
overthrow or undermine: SUBVERT
overwhelming, domineering: OVER-
BEARING
overwhelm, swallow up: ENGULF
owned by a proprietor, protected as by
patent or copyright: PROPRIETARY
ownership of securities: LONG
Oxford resident: OXONIAN
oxygen in liquid form: LOX

P



pacesetter, leader: FUGLEMAN

pacify, soothe: SALVE

pacify, appease, quiet down: MOLLIFY

pack animal, beast of burden: SUMPTER

pack or force down by repeated pressure:

TAMP

packed or wedged firmly, thickly populated: IMPACTED

packing material composed of thin wood shavings: EXCELSIOR

page at start of a book: FRONTISPIECE

page in a book or magazine that is larger than page size and can be unfolded: GATEFOLD

page number in a book: FOLIO

page on the left-hand side of a book: VERSO

pages of a magazine or newspaper that face each other and include related material: DOUBLE TRUCK OR SPREAD

pain, suffering, anguish, distress: TRAVAIL

pain combating: ANALGESIC

pain free: ANALGESIA

pain inflicted on others as a source of pleasure for the inflicter: SADISM

pain relieving: ANODYNE

painful, agonizing: EXCRUCIATING

painful, sad, mournful: DOLOROUS

painful experience, endurance test: OR-DEAL

painful inflammation near shoulder: BURSITIS

pains that are violent: THROES

painstaking, overly precise about details: METICULOUS

paint, engrave or draw with dots instead of lines: STIPPLE

painting, using shades of gray only, often in imitation of bas-relief: GRISAILLE

painting in water colors on wet plaster: FRESCO

painting in which pigment is applied thickly to a surface: IMPASTO

painting medium made from a mixture of water and other substances such as egg yolks or glue: TEMPERA

painting method of using varicolored dots: POINTILLISM

painting using opaque colors mixed with water and gum: GOUACHE

pair of matched horses or oxen: SPAN

pair of objects considered as a single unit: DUAD

paired, double or two: BINARY

pairs or separated into pairs: DICHOTOMIZED

pale, colorless: PALLID

pale, ghastly, gaunt: CADAVEROUS

pale, sallow face: WHEYFACE

pale and thin: PEAKED

palm of the hand: THENAR

palm of the hand, sole of the foot: VOLAR

palm off: FOB

palmtree: CHIROMANCY

paltry, pitiable, inferior: SORRY

paltry, trivial: PICAYUNE

pamper: CODDLE

pamper or coddle: COSHER

pamper or pet: COSSET

pampered, overindulged: SPOON-FED

panacea: CATHOLICON

pancakes, thin and rolled in hot orange sauce: CRÊPES SUZETTE

pancakes, thin, with filling: CRÊPES

panel of prospective jurors: VENIRE

paneled lower part of an inner wall: WAINSCOT

panic, amazement or fear that is sudden and paralyzing: CONSTERNATION

pantomime, especially in which Harlequin and clown play leading parts: HARLEQUINADE

pantomime in shadows thrown on a screen or wall: GALANTY SHOW
 papal envoy who carries insignia to new cardinals: ABLEGATE
 papal letter addressed to the bishops of the world: ENCYCLICAL
 paper at front and back of book, one half of which is pasted to the binding: END PAPER
 paper chewed into a wet wad for throwing: SPITBALL
 paper cover slipped around a book: DUST JACKET
 paper fastener of thin wire: STAPLE
 paper in units of 480 to 516 sheets: REAM
 paper mark of translucent lines or designs: WATERMARK
 paper money in small amounts: SCRIP
 paper of high grade with smooth surface: WIRE-WOVE
 paper scrap: SCRIP
 paper size, 23 by 31 inches: IMPERIAL
 paper that does not carry the marks of the wire gauze on which it was laid: WOVE PAPER
 paper that measures 13 by 16 inches: FOOLS-CAP
 paper used by lawyers and usually measuring about 8½ x 13 inches: LEGAL CAP
 paper watermarked with fine parallel lines: LAID PAPER
 parade: CAVALCADE
 parade of persons or animals fastened together: COFFLE
 parade or display brazenly or gaudily: FLAUNT
 parade or exhibition that is spectacular: PAGEANT
 paradise: ELYSIAN FIELDS
 paragon, unequalled: NONPAREIL
 parallel lines slanting on each side of a spine: HERRINGBONE
 parallelogram with oblique angles and its opposite sides equal: RHOMBOID
 paralysis of one side of the body: HEMIPLEGIA
 paralysis of the lower part of the body: PARAPLEGIA
 paralyze with fear, harden, deaden: PETRIFY
 parched, arid: TORRID
 parchment or tablet in which earlier writing has been erased to make room for a new one: PALIMPSEST

pardon by a government given in general: AMNESTY
 pardonable, as sins: REMISSIBLE
 pardonable, excusable, as a fault: VENIAL
 parent killing: PARRICIDE
 parentage or line of descent: FILIATION
 parents in common with another: GERMAN
 parents of adopted child: ADOPTIVE PARENTS
 parley so as to gain time: TEMPORIZE
 part, divide, separate: DISSEVER
 part of a debt or of a serial story: INSTALLMENT
 part used to stand for the whole: SYNECDOCHE
 partiality or bias held in advance: PREDILECTION
 particle, negatively charged, that forms part of an atom: ELECTRON
 particle or speck: MOTE
 particular application, not general: AD HOC
 particularize: INDIVIDUATE
 partisan to excess, fanatic: ZEALOT
 partnership of dissimilar organisms: SYMBIOSIS
 partnership or company distinguished from a corporation: FIRM
 part-time, amusement: DIVERSION
 part-time or temporary lodging place: PIED-À-TERRER
 party given in the evening: SOIREE
 pass assuring the bearer protection on a journey, as in time of war: SAFE-CONDUCT
 pass away, slip by (said of time): ELAPSE
 pass imperceptibly from one shade or degree to another: GRADATE
 pass through, survive, as a crisis: WEATHER
 pass through tissue: TRANSPIRE
 passage of ornate writing: PURPLE PROSE
 passage or extract, especially from the Bible: PERICOPE
 passageway, as between house and garage: BREEZEWAY
 passing abruptly from one condition to another: TRANSILIENT
 passing lightly from one subject to another, wandering from the point: DISCURSIVE
 passing out of use, becoming obsolete: OBSOLESCE
 passion or love that is foolish or unreasonable: INFATUATION
 passionate, ardent: TORRID

passive consent: ACQUIESCENCE
 passive consent: SUFFERANCE
 Passover book containing story of the Exodus: HAGGADAH
 passport endorsement granting entry into or passage through a country: VISA
 password, rallying cry: WATCHWORD
 password, test word: SHIBBOLETH
 pasta in the form of dumplings: GNOCCHI
 pastoral or rustic: BUCOLIC
 pastry shell, fried, in which food may be served: TIMBALE
 pastry shell to be filled with meat or fish: VOL-AU-VENT
 pastry store: PATISserie
 path: ACCESS
 path of an object moving through space: TRAJECTORY
 path that is winding or circuitous: AMBAGE
 patient treated at a hospital but not staying there: OUTPATIENT
 patriot of an aggressive and boastful nature: JINGO
 patriotism that is overzealous: CHAUVINISM
 patronizing: CONDESCENDING
 pattern, model example: PARADIGM
 pattern, model, typical example: EXEMPLAR
 pattern or gauge used to copy something accurately, as in woodworking: TEMPLATE
 pause or interruption of continuity, gap, opening: HIATUS
 pause temporarily or stop at intervals: INTERMIT
 pay back, compensate: REIMBURSE
 pay for, compensate: REMUNERATE
 pay larger than normal given to a dismissed employee: SEVERANCE PAY
 pay or fee for a service: EMOLUMENT
 pay out: DISBURSE
 pay to a clergyman from church revenues: PREBEND
 paying back money originally invested: SELF-LIQUIDATING
 payment, from earnings of a corporation, to be made to shareholders: DIVIDEND
 payment beyond regular salary or profit: PERQUISITE
 payment by each of his own meal ticket, party fee, etc.: DUTCH TREAT
 payment for release of seized person or property: RANSOM

payment extorted to prevent disclosure: BLACKMAIL
 payment immediately on delivery: SPOT CASH
 payment in addition to salary, such as pension, insurance, etc.: FRINGE BENEFIT
 peace be with you: PAX VOBISCUM
 peace of mind: ATARAXIA
 peace pipe: CALUMET
 peaceable, showing good will: AMICABLE
 peaceful, placid: PACIFIC
 peaceful, tranquil, calm: PLACID
 peaceful in purpose: IRENIC
 pearl-like, iridescent: NACREOUS
 pear-shaped: PYRIFORM
 peculiar to a given country or people, native to a given area: ENDEMIC
 peculiarity in behavior or speech, affectation of tyle: MANNERISM
 pedantic: DIDACTIC
 pedantic, dogmatic teacher: PEDAGOGUE
 pedantic, moralizing: DIDACTIC
 pedantic, smug, overexacting person: PRIG
 pedantic literary effort: LUCUBRATION
 peddle, cry goods in the street: HAWK
 peddler of Bibles and other books: COLPORTEUR
 peddler of food, liquor, etc. to an army: SUTLER
 pedestal on which a statue or column stands: PLINTH
 pedestal part between base and cornice: DADO
 pedestrian who disregards traffic rules: JAYWALKER
 pedigree record of thoroughbred stock: STUD BOOK
 peep show, street show: RAREE SHOW
 peeping Tom: VOYEUR
 peevish: PETTISH
 peevish, gloomy: DYSPEPTIC
 peevish, ill-tempered: BILIOUS
 peevishness, ill temper, spitefulness: SPLEEN
 peevishness, irritableness: PETULANCE
 pelt, shower, spatter: PEPPER
 pen name: NOM DE PLUME
 penalty in which something is given up or taken away: FORFEIT
 penalty or obligation established by authority: IMPOSITION
 pencil lead: GRAPHITE
 penetrable, open-minded: PERVIOUS

penetrate, spread through completely:
PERMEATE
penis erection as a persistent pathological
condition: PRIAPISM
penis in rigid, enlarged condition: EREC-
TION
penis-like: PHALLIC
penis-like representation: PHALLUS
penmanship art: CHIROGRAPHY
penmanship that is beautiful: CALLIG-
RAPHY
penniless, poor: IMPECUNIOUS
pension, allowance, salary: STIPEND
Pentateuch, also Jewish law and literature:
TORAH
people collectively, especially those out-
side a specific profession or occupa-
tion: LAITY
people forced by circumstances to listen:
CAPTIVE AUDIENCE
people's protector or champion: TRIBUNE
pep up, cheer up, stimulate, invigorate:
EXHILARATE
perceive, recognize as different: DISCERN
perceived below the threshold of con-
sciousness: SUBLIMINAL
percentage of total that must be paid by
customer when he uses his broker's
credit to buy a security: MARGIN
perception after the event: HINDSIGHT
perception independent of senses: EX-
TRASENSORY PERCEPTION (ESP)
perception of distant objects by other than
normal sensory means: TELESTHE-
SIA
perception of one's own consciousness:
APPERCEPTION
perception or knowing of a fact: COG-
NIZANCE
perception that has no external stimulus:
HALLUCINATION
perceptive, keen, discerning: PERSPICACIOUS
perfect example: ARCHETYPE
perfection: NE PLUS ULTRA
perform, invent or produce without pre-
vious thought or preparation: IMPRO-
VISE
perform a ceremony: SOLEMNIZE
perform the functions of an office: OFFI-
CIATE
performance added in response to audi-
ence demand: ENCORE
performance or interpretation of a text,
role, etc.: RENDITION

performer having a very small part, as in a
play: WALK-ON
performer's special talent or piece of busi-
ness: SHTICK
performing services for a fixed payment:
STIPENDIARY
performing to win applause or approval:
GRANDSTAND PLAY
perfumed powder in a bag: SACHET
peril that is imminent: SWORD OF DAMO-
CLES
period, century, era: SIÈCLE
period of happiness, comfort or wealth:
MILLENNIUM
period of time that is incalculable, eter-
nity: EON
period that divides some longer or peri-
odic process: INTERLUDE
periodical of a company for its employees:
HOUSE ORGAN
perjure oneself: FORSWEAR
permanent: INDELIBLE
permanent, durable: PERDURABLE
permeable through pores: POROUS
permeate, circulate: DIFFUSE
permeate, fertilize: IMPREGNATE
permeation gradually of thoughts or facts:
OSMOSIS
permission given or implied by failure to
prohibit: SUFFERANCE
permit, ratify, approve: SANCTION
permit with condescension: VOUCHSAFE
perplex, dumbfound, bewilder: NONPLUS
perplexing situation: QUANDARY
persecution complex: PARANOIA
persecution imposed by the military:
DRAGONNADE
persevering: ASSIDUOUS
persevering, stubborn: INDOMITABLE
persistent: ASSIDUOUS
persistent, stubborn: PERTINACIOUS
persistent, tough, stubborn: TENACIOUS
persistent striving: PERSEVERANCE
persistently demand: IMPORTUNE
person, animal or plant that lives off an-
other: PARASITE
person acting as if mechanically: AU-
TOMATON
person from whom a family descends:
STIRPS
person from whom a nation, city, or
epoch is said to derive its name:
EPONYM
person moved out of a destroyed or threat-
ened area: EVACUEE

person or thing uncommonly large or fine:
SPANKER

person thought of as a perfect example:
PERSONIFICATION

person with specialized knowledge, expert:
COGNOSCENTE

person who buys and sells for another, on commission:
BROKER

person who drops things:
BUTTERFINGERS

person who enjoys good living:
BON VIVANT

person who is a cultured or aristocratic snob:
BRAHMIN

person who utters unheeded prophecies of disaster:
CASSANDRA

personal excellence:
CALIBER

personal feelings or one's mind as the source of judgment, as opposed to objective:
SUBJECTIVE

personal need as motivation:
BREAD-AND-BUTTER

personal property:
CHattel

personality test made through interpretation of standard ink blots:
RORSCHACH TEST

personification:
PROSOPOPEIA

personified:
INCARNATE

personnel reduction through retirement, etc.:
ATTRITION

persons to whom secrets are confided:
CONFIDANT

perspiration that is copious:
DIAPHORESIS

persuadable, tractable:
PLIANT

persuade one to act or speak:
INDUCE

persuade or try to persuade by flattery:
WHEELDE

persuasive, insincere flattery:
SNOW JOB

persuasively forceful:
COGENT

pertinent, appropriate:
RELEVANT

pertinent, related to what is being discussed, relevant:
GERMANE

pervade, saturate, wet thoroughly:
IMBUE

pervade or animate:
INFORM

pester, press a debtor for payment:
DUN

pessimism, melancholy, romantic world-weariness:
WELTSCHMERZ

pessimistic about stock prices:
BEARISH

pet name or endearing diminutive:
HYPOCORISM

pet phrase:
BYWORD

petitioner:
POSTULANT

petty, cheap, sleazy:
CHINTZY

petty, contemptible, trivial:
PALTRY

petty, nagging:
NIGGLING

petty, trivial:
INSIGNIFICANT

petty, trivial, mean:
PICAYUNE

petulant, self-important:
HOITY-TOITY

phallus that is large, as in certain primitive art:
ITHYPHALLIC

phantom:
EIDOLON

phase, side or aspect of a person or subject:
FACET

phobias

(In the following listing read the words "irrational fear of" ahead of each entry.)

air or drafts:
AEROPHOBIA

aloneness:
AUTOPHOBIA

animals:
ZOOOPHOBIA

being touched:
HAPTEPHOBIA

blood:
HEMOPHOBIA

burial alive:
TAPHEPHOBIA

cats:
AILUROPHOBIA

children:
PEDOPHOBIA

cold:
PSYCHROPHOBIA

contamination:
MYSOPHOBIA

crowds:
DEMOPHOBIA, OCHLOPHOBIA

dead bodies:
NECROPHOBIA

death:
THANATOPHOBIA, NECROPHOBIA

depths:
BATHOPHOBIA

dogs:
CYNOPHOBIA

eating:
PHAGOPHOBIA

England, the English:
ANGLOPHOBIA

fire:
PYROPHOBIA

foreigners, strangers:
XENOPHOBIA

heights:
ACROPHOBIA

ideas:
IDEOPHOBIA

infinity:
APEIROPHOBIA

lice:
PEDICULOPHOBIA

marriage:
GAMOPHOBIA

men:
ANDROPHOBIA

mice:
MUSOPHOBIA

missiles:
BALLISTOPHOBIA

movement:
KINESOPHOBIA

night:
NYCTOPHOBIA

noise:
PHONOPHOBIA

novelty:
NEOPHOBIA

number 13:
TRISKAIDEKAPHOBIA

ocean:
THALASSOPHOBIA

open spaces:
AGORAPHOBIA

pain:
ALGOPHOBIA

poison:
TOXICOPHOBIA

red:
ERYTHROPHOBIA

reptiles:
OPHIDIOPHOBIA

sharp objects:
AICHINOPHOBIA

sleep:
HYPNOPHOBIA

snow:
CHIONOPHOBIA

solitude:
AUTOPHOBIA

speaking:
LALOPHOBIA

stars: ASTROPHOBIA
 thunderstorms: ASTRAPHOBIA
 women: GYNOPHOBIA
 phonograph record collector or connoisseur: DISCOPHILE
 phonograph records catalogued: DISCOGRAPHY
 photograph improvement through handwork to remove blemishes or add details: RETOUCHING
 photographs attractively: PHOTOGENIC
 phrase, clause or word inserted in a sentence to add explanation or comment: PARENTHESIS
 phrase or put into words: COUCH
 phrase or watchword of a group: SHIBBOLETH
 phraseology verbal expression: LOCUTION
 phraseology peculiar to a language or region and accepted though it may differ from the normal pattern: IDIOM
 physically strong: POTENT
 physically suitable for marriage: NUBILE
 physician's training period at a hospital: RESIDENCY
 piano-like instrument: CLAVICHORD
 pick, sort out, select: CULL
 pickle in a spicy, vinegary solution: MARINATE
 picnic, pleasure trip, feast, banquet: JUNKET
 picture, image, likeness, usually an object of veneration: ICON
 picture or symbol representing a word, sound or object: HIEROGLYPHIC
 picture painted on transparent curtains: DIORAMA
 picture printed from engraving made with hard needle: DRY POINT
 picture produced by superimposing different pictorial elements to make a single composition: MONTAGE
 picturelike scene represented by silent and motionless persons: TABLEAU VIVANT
 picturesque, pleasant: IDYLIC
 pie that is custard-like and made of cheese, bacon, etc., and served hot: QUICHE LORRAINE
 piece cut or broken off: CANTLE
 piece out, supplement: EKE
 pier or wharf to protect a harbor or beach: JETTY
 pierce through, impale: TRANSFIX
 pigeon, especially when an unfledged nestling: SQUAB

pig-headed, stubborn, unyielding: OBSTINATE
 piglike, swinish, hoggish: PORCINE
 pigmentation deficiency: ALBINISM
 pile of wood, etc., for burning a dead body: PYRE
 pillage during a search: RANSACK
 piles: HEMORRHOIDS
 pilfer: FILCH
 pillage, plunder, prey upon: DEPREDATE
 pillage, ruin, wreck: RAVAGE
 pillar in shape of a male figure: TELAMON
 pimp: PANDER
 pin someone or something with a sharp stake: IMPALE
 pincers of small size: TWEEZERS
 pincers or small tongs: FORCEPS
 pine, weaken, droop gradually: LANGUISH
 pink-eyed and white-skinned person: ALBINO
 pinkie: LITTLE FINGER
 pins, ribbons and other small miscellaneous articles for sale: NOTIONS
 pinwheel-like firework: CATHERINE WHEEL
 pipe with a tube passing through water to cool the smoke: HOOKAH
 pirate: PICAROON
 pirate or appropriate the ideas, writings, music, etc., of another: PLAGIARIZE
 pit of the stomach: SOLAR PLEXUS
 pitcher or jug with wide mouth: EWER
 pitchers' practice area: BULLPEN
 pithy saying: APOTHEGM
 pitiable, inferior, paltry: SORRY
 pitiful, causing sorrow, sad: PATHETIC
 pitiless, hardhearted, stubborn: OBDURATE
 pitiless, harsh: RELENTLESS
 pivot about: SLUE
 pivotal or pivoting on its own axis: TROCHOID
 place for storing goods: REPOSITORY
 place in a female mammal where young are generated and developed: WOMB
 place name, or name derived from a place: TOPONYM
 place of rest or shelter: HOSPICE
 place or install in office formally: INVEST
 place or position forces according to a plan: DEPLOY
 place to stand on: POU STO
 place where a crime is committed or a trial is to be held: VENUE
 place where criminals, addicts, etc., are

- helped to readjust to society: HALF-WAY HOUSE
- plaid or checkered pattern of dark lines on a light ground: TATTERSALL
- plain: UNVARNISHED
- plain, clear, obvious, evident: MANIFEST
- plain, direct: FLAT-FOOTED
- plain, simple, rough: RUSTIC
- plain devoid of forest, especially one of the extensive plains in Russia: STEPPE
- plain of Arctic regions, treeless and vast: TUNDRA
- plain or rolling tract of open land: WOLD
- plait: PLEACH
- plan, proposal, undertaking: PROJECT
- plan of top priority to meet an emergency: CRASH PROGRAM
- plane designed for short takeoffs and landings: STOL
- plane designed for vertical takeoffs and landings: VTOL
- planets shown as models or images on a circular dome: PLANETARIUM
- planing tool having a blade set between two handles: SPOKESHAVE
- planned deliberately, premeditated: STUDIED
- planning for the future, prudence: PROVIDENCE
- plant adapted to extreme changes of weather: TROPOPHYTE
- plant and animal periodicity, as a study: PHENOLOGY
- plant and animal structures, as a study, apart from function: MORPHOLOGY
- plant eating, feeding on vegetables: HERBIVOROUS
- plant growing in nutrient mineral solutions rather than in soil: HYDROPONICS
- plant or animal selected as representative of a new species: HOLOTYPE
- plant or animal series of changes in formation: SERE
- plant or animal surviving from an earlier period or type: RELICT
- plants growing in a given region: FLORA
- plaster of Paris and glue mixed as a base for painting or for making of bas-reliefs: GESSO
- plaster or a like wall coating: PARGET
- platform, low and wheeled: DOLLY
- platform or porch with steps at the entrance to a house: STOOP
- platform that an orchestra conductor or a speaker stands on: PODIUM
- platform that is raised and on which guests of honor or speakers are seated: DAIS
- platitude: BROMIDE
- plausible, but not certain: SPECIOUS
- play rehearsal, usually the final one, performed exactly as play will be on opening night: DRESS REHEARSAL
- play side by side: COLLOCATE
- play written for reading rather than performance: CLOSET DRAMA
- player in sports who is not on the regular team: SCRUB
- playful, jesting: JOCOSE
- playful conversation: BANTER
- playful or lively movement in music: SCHERZO
- playful teasing: BADINAGE
- playfully leap about: CAPER
- playfulness, fun, quip: JEST
- plead against, disapprove: DEPRECATE
- plead in protest or opposition: REMONSTRATE
- pleasant tasting, savory: SAPID
- pleasantness: AMENITY
- please, if you please: S'IL VOUS PLAÎT
- please reply: RÉPONEZ S'IL VOUS PLAÎT
- pleasing: PREPOSSESSING
- pleasing, attractive: WINSOME
- pleasing in sound, harmonious, smooth: EUPHONIOUS
- pleasurable and unpleasurable states, as a psychological study: HEDONICS
- pleasurably excited: TITILLATED
- pleasure as the only good and proper goal or moral behavior: HEDONISM
- pleasure at one's own suffering or pain: MASOCHISM
- pleasure-loving and luxury-loving person: SYBARITE
- pleasure or self-indulgence as a way of life: PRIMROSE PATH
- pleasure-seeking and pain-avoiding drive of the ego: PLEASURE PRINCIPLE
- pleasure trip, banquet, picnic, feast: JUNKET
- pleated or plaited, as a fan: PLICATED
- pleats that resemble bellows folds of an accordion: ACCORDION PLEATS
- pledge, security, challenge: GAGE
- pledge of securities or property as collateral for a loan: HYPOTHECATION
- pledge property set aside by a borrower to insure repayment of a loan: COLLATERAL
- plentiful: BOUNTEOUS

plentiful, abundant: RIFE
 pliable: PLASTIC
 pliable, flexible: MALLEABLE
 pliant, supple, agile, lithe: LISSOME
 plod, as through mud: SLOG
 plot, conspiracy, secret and underhanded activity: INTRIGUE
 plot to foil another: COUNTERMINE
 pluck, spirit, courage: METTLE
 plucking instrument's strings: PIZZICATO
 plucking out, extracting forcibly, uprooting: EVULSION
 plug or seal edges or crevices: CAULK
 plump, rounded out: ROTUND
 plume on a helmet; dash, verve: PANACHE
 plunder: PILLAGE
 plunder, invade for booty, raid: MARAUD
 plunder, pillage, prey upon: DEPREDATE
 plunder, pillage, raid: FORAY
 plunder, during a search: RANSACK
 plunder or destroy a city: RAPE
 plunge straight down: PLUMMET
 pod, husk, or shell: SHUCK
 poem in which one poet mourns the death of another: MONODY
 poem of a short, pastoral nature: ECLOGUE
 poem of eight lines and two rhymes with two of the lines repeated: TRIOLET
 poem of ten or thirteen lines with two rhymes: RONDEAU
 poem of three stanzas and an envoy, the last lines of which are the same: BALLADE
 poem or arrangement of words in which certain letters of each line spell a word: ACROSTIC
 poem or composition in which the end letters of successive lines form a word: TELESTICH
 poem or composition in which the middle letters of successive lines form a word: MESOSTICH
 poem or stanza of four lines: QUATRAIN
 poem retracting something stated in an earlier one: PALINODE
 poem that is metrically complete: ACATALECTIC
 poem usually of fourteen lines in rhymed iambic pentameter: SONNET
 poet: BARD
 poet without much talent: POETASTER
 poetic forms, as a study: PROSODY


poetic metrical foot consisting of three syllables, the first accented, the others not: DACTYL
 poetic metrical foot consisting of two equally accented syllables: SPONDEE
 poetic metrical foot consisting of two syllables, the first accented: TROCHEE
 poetical metrical foot consisting of two syllables, the first unaccented and the second accented: IAMB OR IAMBUS
 poetic metrical foot consisting of two unaccented syllables followed by one accented: ANAPEST
 poetic pair of rhymed lines in iambic pentameter: HEROIC COUPLET
 poetry with final lines usually in the form of a dedication: ENVOY
 poetry free of conventional meter and rhyme: FREE VERSE
 point made by showing contrary to be absurd: APAGOGUE
 point of view from which facts or matters are seen or judged: PERSPECTIVE
 points on sole of shoe to prevent slipping: CALK
 point or rod on which something rotates: PIVOT
 point out, signify, indicate: DENOTE
 pointed, sharp-edged: CULTRATE
 pointless, silly, empty-headed: INANE
 pointless or merely hypothetical: ACADEMIC
 poison: ENVENOM
 poisonous: TOXIC
 poker bet made on a hand having only four cards of a suit: FOUR-FLUSH
 poker game in which the first card is dealt face down, the four others face up: STUD POKER
 poker hand made up of three of a kind and a pair: FULL HOUSE
 poker hand of cards all of one suit: FLUSH
 poker term for demanding a show of hands: CALL
 police officer on a naval vessel: MASTER-AT-ARMS
 police surveillance of a suspect or suspected place: STAKEOUT
 polish or burnish: FURBISH
 polite, good-natured remark: PLEAS-ANTRY
 polite, suave, refined: URBANE
 polite behavior: AMENITIES
 political candidate unexpectedly nominated: DARK HORSE

- political device of altering a voting area to promote the interests of one political party: GERRYMANDER
- political disorder: ANARCHY
- political or governmental organization: POLITY
- political party chief: SACHEM
- political party meeting to select candidates, plan campaign: CAUCUS
- political power to appoint to offices: PATRONAGE
- politician from outside who is resented: CARPETBAGGER
- politician who appeals to prejudices and passions: DEMAGOGUE
- politicians' practice of trading votes and influence: LOGROLLING
- politician's route in campaigning: HUSTINGS
- politicking in rural districts: BARNSTORMING
- politics of power: REALPOLITIK
- poll tax: CAPITATION
- pollens and spores, as a study: PALYNOLOGY
- pollute, desecrate: PROFANE
- polo time period: CHUKKER
- polysyllabic, as of words: SESQUIPEDALIAN
- pompous, artificially formal: STILTED
- pompous, bombastic: FUSTIAN
- pompous, bombastic style of speaking: GRANDILOQUENT
- pompous, dogmatic, arrogant, haughty: PONTIFICAL
- pompous, inflated: TUMID
- pompous in speech: OROTUND
- pompous person: BASHAW
- pompously conceited: VAINGLORIOUS
- ponder or meditate upon: RUMINATE
- poor, also stingy: PENURIOUS
- poor, penniless: IMPECUNIOUS
- poor judgment shown: INJUDICIOUS
- poor person, charity case: PAUPER
- poorly made, cheap, shoddy: SLEAZY
- poorly made, underdone: SLACK-BAKED
- Pope's ambassador to a foreign government: NUNCIO
- popular: DEMOTIC
- popular, accepted, everyday speech: VULGATE
- popular but incorrect idea of the origin of a word: FOLK ETYMOLOGY
- populated densely, crowded: IMPACTED
- population science: DEMOGRAPHY
- porcelain or china that is very thin and delicate: EGGSHELL CHINA
- porch or platform with steps at the entrance to a house: STOOP
- porch with room held up by columns: PORTICO
- pores admit fluids, air or light: POROUS
- pornography: SMUT
- pornography, as a study: COPROLOGY
- port side of a ship: LARBOARD
- portent, omen: AUGURY
- portent, omen, warning: PRESAGE
- portion, share, half: MOIETY
- portion or serving: DOLLOP
- portray, trace out, outline: DELINEATE
- posing under a false name or character: IMPOSTURE
- position or office that pays, but involves few or no duties: SINECURE
- position specially suited to a person: NICHE
- positive, arrogant assertion of opinion: DOGMATIC
- positive, final, decisive, absolute: PEREMPTORY
- positive, with no qualifications: CATEGORICAL
- positive declaration: ASSEVERATION
- possessive case in grammar: GENITIVE
- possible, imaginable, secular: EARTHLY
- possible but not in existence: POTENTIAL
- possible or liable: CONTINGENT
- possible outcome: EVENTUALITY
- possession that is more trouble than it's worth: WHITE ELEPHANT
- post at end of handrail of a staircase: NEWEL
- postage stamp sold at an advanced price, the excess going to a charity or public service: SEMIPOSTAL
- poster: PLACARD
- poster or large sheet of paper with a printed message: BROADSIDE
- postpone or forgo a right: WAIVE
- postpone or put off habitually: PROCRASTINATE
- postpone punishment or pain: REPRIEVE
- posts supporting a handrail: BALUSTER
- posture: STANCE
- postponement, delay, interval of relief or rest: RESPITE
- pot, small and made of earthenware: PIPKIN
- pot or jar, broad-mouthed and of earthenware: OLLA

pot that is airtight and cooks food quickly under pressure: PRESSURE COOKER
 potatoes prepared with finely sliced fried onions: LYONNAISE
 potency, efficacy: VIRTUE
 potential for development: SEMINAL
 pottery, glazed, usually blue and white: DELFT
 pottery of a very hard variety: STONEWARE
 pouchlike receptacle on the abdomen of female marsupials for carrying the young: MARSUPIUM
 pour or spread out in all directions: DIFFUSE
 pour off a liquid without disturbing its sediment: DECANT
 pouting facial expression: MOUE
 poverty: INDIGENCE
 powdered, demolished: PULVERIZED
 powdery, dusty: PULVERULENT
 power equal to a thousand watts: KILOWATT
 power of great proportions, gigantic: HERCULEAN
 power of thought or feeling: INTENSITY
 power that is absolute: DESPOTISM
 powerful, mighty: PUISSANT
 powerful appearing but really ineffective: PAPER TIGER
 powerful or wealthy man: NABOB
 powerless: IMPUISSANT
 powerless, incapable of producing the effect desired: INEFFECTUAL
 powerless, worthless: NUGATORY
 powerless to act or accomplish anything: IMPOTENT
 practicable, workable: VIABLE
 practical, not theoretical: PRAGMATIC
 practical, obstinate, shrewd: HARDHEADED
 practical, suitable: FEASIBLE
 practical rather than scientific measure: RULE OF THUMB
 practical saying: APOTHEGM
 practice rather than theory: PRAXIS
 praise: LAUD
 praise, especially when formal and delivered publicly: EULOGY
 praise extravagantly: ADULATE
 praise for an achievement: KUDOS
 praise in the highest terms, exalt, laud: EXTOL
 praise or eulogy formally delivered: ENCOMIUM

praise that is elaborate, laudation: PANEGYRIC
 prance or caper about: TITTUP
 prance or frisk about: CAVORT
 prank, spree, fling, reckless behavior: ESCAPE
 pray earnestly for something, ask for humbly: SUPPLICATE
 pray for or call down a calamity or a curse: IMPRECATE
 prayer, short and suitable to an occasion: COLLECT
 prayer at the opening of a ceremony: INVOCATION
 prayer consisting of a long list of supplications, with a fixed response after each: LITANY
 prayer or entreaty in behalf of others: INTERCESSION
 prayer shawl worn by Orthodox and Conservative Jewish men: TALLITH
 prayer stand with a shelf for a book: PRIEDIEU
 prayer stool, usually folding and cushioned: FOLDSTOOL
 prayer that is brief: EJACULATION
 prayers made on nine days: NOVENA
 prayers or services in the evening: VESPERS
 precarious position: SWORD OF DAMOCLES
 preceding: PREVENIENT
 precipice that extends a distance: PALISADES
 precise, accurate, exact: NICE
 precise, overly fastidious, fussy, exacting: FINICKY
 pre-Christmas season: ADVENT
 preconceived judgment: PARTI PRIS
 predecessor, forerunner, something in advance: PRECURSOR
 predetermination: FATALISM
 predicament: QUANDARY
 predicament, complicated situation: PLIGHT
 predicament entailing a choice between two undesirable alternatives: DILEMMA
 prediction, forecast: PROGNOSIS
 predictor of the future: SOOTHSAYER
 predisposition to certain forms of disease: DIATHESIS
 preempt or appoint: CO-OPT
 preface, introductory remark: PROLEGOMENON
 preface, introductory statement: PROEM

- preference preconceived: PREDILECTION
 preferred stock on which unpaid dividends do not accrue: NONCUMULATIVE
 preferred stock that is entitled to dividends beyond those stated: PARTICIPATING PREFERRED
 pregnancy: GESTATION
 pregnant: ENCEINTE
 pregnant: GRAVID
 pregnant for the first time or the mother of just one: PRIMIPARA
 prejudice, bias: PRECONCEPTION
 prejudiced, biased, favoring one party: PARTIAL
 prejudicial appeal: AD HOMINEM
 prelate, high priest: HIERARCH
 prelate with highest rank in the country: PRIMATE
 preliminary work for a project: SPADE-WORK
 prematurely born animal, especially a calf: SLINK
 prematurely bring forth young: ABORT
 prematurely developed: PRECOCIOUS
 premeditated, deliberately designed: STUDIED
 precise about details, overly painstaking: METICULOUS
 preoccupation with a thought or feeling that is compulsive and excessive: OBSESSION
 preoccupied: BEMUSED
 preparatory work for a project: SPADE-WORK
 prerequisite: POSTULATE
 present everywhere at once: UBIQUITOUS
 present period or occasion: NONCE
 present tense used to narrate a past event: HISTORICAL PRESENT
 preside over, as a meeting: MODERATE
 press a debtor for payment: DUN
 press food, drinks, etc., on a person: PLY
 pretend, dissemble, conceal: DISSIMULATE
 pretend, feign: SIMULATE
 pretend not to see wrongdoing: CONNIVE
 pretended, deceptive, sham: FEIGNED
 pretended blow or deception meant to distract: FEINT
 pretending to be someone else in order to deceive: IMPOSTURE
 pretending to be what one is not or better than one is, pretending to be virtuous or good: HYPOCRISY
 pretense, false appearance: GUISE
 pretentious, inflated: OVERBLOWN
 pretentious, ostentatious or hypocritical ceremony: MUMMERY
 pretentious, over dignified, self-important: POMPOUS
 pretentious behavior: AFFECTATION
 pretentious boasting: BRAGGADOCIO
 pretentious language: CLAPTRAP
 pretentious official: PANJANDRUM
 pretentious or extremist person: HIGHFLIER
 pretentiously grand, imposing: GRANDIOSE
 pretentiousness, windy promposity: FLAT-ULENCE
 prevalent, dominant: REGNANT
 prevent, avert: OBVIATE
 prevent, guard against or hinder in advance: FORESTALL
 prevent, render impossible, exclude: PRECLUDE
 preventing sleep: AGRYPNOTIC
 preventive treatment against disease: PRO-PHYLAXIS
 previous to examination: A PRIORI
 previously, before now: HERETOFORE
 prey, game: QUARRY
 prey upon, pillage, plunder: DEPREDATE
 price at which a bond may be redeemed before it reaches maturity: REDEMPTION PRICE
 price at which a person is ready to buy a security: BID
 price at which a person is ready to sell a security: OFFER
 price changes that can be absorbed by the market in a particular security: LIQUIDITY
 price fall caused by decrease of money in circulation: DEFLATION
 price last reported at which security was sold: MARKET PRICE
 price level reduced to increase purchasing power but avoid deflation: DISINFLATION
 price of a stock transaction higher than the preceding transaction: UP TICK, PLUS-TICK
 price range of buyer and seller of a given stock at a given time: QUOTATION
 price rise and fall in value of money: INFLATION
 price that is the lowest at which something will be sold at an auction: UPSET PRICE
 priceless: INESTIMABLE
 priceless: INVALUABLE
 prickly: SPINOUS

- prickly heat: MILIARIA
 pride, especially in someone else (Yiddish): NACHUS
 priestly: SACERDOTAL
 priest's forgiveness of sin, in confession: ABSOLUTION
 priests or clergy in charge of government: HIEROCRACY
 prima donna, female operatic singer: DIVA
 primary in which people rather than delegates select candidates: DIRECT PRIMARY
 primitive: ABORIGINAL
 primitive, pure: PRISTINE
 primitive state, reversion to: ATAVISM
 primp, dress showily: PREEN
 principle, belief or doctrine maintained as true by a person or a group: TENET
 principal, original, first: PRIMAL
 principal commodity, regularly in demand: STAPLE
 print a line, paragraph, etc., in from the margin: INDENT
 printed character containing two or more letters joined together: LIGATURE
 printed sheets, loosely bound together: CAHIER
 printer's shallow tray for holding type before it is put into a form: GALLEY
 printer's term for an opening cut in a plate for the insertion of type: MORTISE
 printing type group containing all the characters in one size and style: FONT
 printing even with the outside margin: FLUSH
 printing from a flat stone or metal plate on which the material to be printed is treated with grease that absorbs ink: LITHOGRAPHY
 printing from raised surfaces: LETTER PRESS
 printing machines that cast type in single characters: MONOTYPE
 printing or writing with flowing lines: CURSIVE
 printing ornament or symbol: DINGBAT
 printing press that prints both sides of a sheet simultaneously: PERFECTING PRESS
 printing press that uses webs, or rolls of paper, rather than separate sheets: WEB PRESS
 printing press using curved plates and rolls of paper: ROTARY PRESS
 printing process in which subjects are reproduced by photography on plates in relief: PHOTOENGRAVING
 printing process in which the impression is transferred to a rubber roller and then to the paper: OFFSET
 printing, receptacle for broken or battered type: HELLBOX
 printing sign () to direct attention: INDEX OF FIST
 printing term for a blurred impression: MACKLE
 printing term for part of a letter that extends downward: DESCENDER
 printing term for part of a letter that extends upward: ASCENDER
 printing term for thinnest of metal spaces separating letters or words: HAIR SPACE
 printing type characteristic consisting of a fine line that finishes off a stroke: SERIF
 printing type jumble: PI
 printing type set in excess of the space available: OVERSET
 printing type that is bold and somewhat fancy: OLD ENGLISH
 printing type with thin light lines: LIGHT-FACE
 prints transferred from specially prepared paper to glass, wood: DECALCOMANIA
 prisoner of captors setting terms for his release: HOSTAGE
 prisoner surrendered or delivered up to the jurisdiction of another state or country: EXTRADITION
 private, isolated room: SANCTUM
 private or confidential, as a conversation: TÊTE-À-TÊTE
 privately said, undertone: SOTTO VOCE
 privilege extended to stockholders ahead of others, to buy new issues, usually at lower than market price: RIGHTS
 privilege or benefit owed because of status: PERQUISITE
 privilege or exemption as in right to send mail without charge: FRANK
 prize that is the biggest one possible to win: JACKPOT
 problem of choosing between unpleasant alternatives: DILEMMA
 problem that is complicated: GORDIAN KNOT
 problems pile up; solution of one raises another and leads back to the original one: VICIOUS CIRCLE

proclamation, public declaration: PRO-
NUNCIAMENTO
prod or incite: GOAD
produce, beget: PROCREATE
produce, perform or invent without pre-
vious thought or preparation: IMPRO-
VISE
producing many or much: PROLIFIC
producing or capable of producing a de-
sired effect: EFFICACIOUS
production of goods and services by a na-
tion: GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT
(G.N.P.)
productive, inventive, fruitful: PREGNANT
productive, potential, germinal: SEMINAL
productive equipment owned by busi-
nesses: CAPITAL GOODS
profane or use sacrilegiously: DESECRATE
profaning or violation of anything sacred:
SACRILEGE
professional or clerical worker: WHITE
COLLAR
profile or dark shape with a light back-
ground: SILHOUETTE
profit anticipated but not yet realized on a
security still held: PAPER PROFIT
profit from sale of assets: CAPITAL GAIN
profitable: LUCRATIVE
profitable: REMUNERATIVE
profitable source: PAY DIRT
profound, hidden: RECONDITE
progress resulting from planning: TELESIS
progression by a constant quantity: ARITH-
METIC PROGRESSION
progression or arrangement that is orderly
or gradual: GRADATION
prohibit, debar, forbid a person to have or
do something: INTERDICT
prohibit, outlaw, condemn: PROSCRIBE
prohibited, unlawful: ILLICIT
prohibited by convention or tradition:
TABOO
prohibition: INJUNCTION
project on the basis of facts already
known, infer from evidence at hand:
EXTRAPOLATE
projecting part of a battle line: SALIENT
projecting structure supported at only one
end: CANTILEVER
proliferate, sprout: BURGEON
prolific, fruitful, fertile: FECUND
prolific or fond of children: PHILO-
PROGENITIVE
prologue: PROLUSION

prolonged or held, in music: SOSTENUTO
promenade or strut: CAKEWALK
prominent or memorable object in the
landscape: LANDMARK
promiscuous woman, slut: SLATTERN
promise, guarantee: STIPULATE
promotion awarded on the battlefield:
BREVET
promptness, speed: DISPATCH
pronounce with a sound omitted: ELIDE
pronounced without stress when in combi-
nation with a preceding word: EN-
CLITIC
pronunciation standards: ORTHOEPIY
pronouncing "r" as "l" or vice versa:
LALLATION
proof of a crime: CORPUS DELICTI
proof of the genuineness of a document
such as a will: PROBATE
proof of printed matter used for making
corrections: GALLEY
proof or safe against attack: UNASSAILA-
BLE
propensity: APPETENCE
proper, advisable, suitable: EXPEDIENT
proper, conventional: ORTHODOX
proper, seemly in behavior: DECOROUS
proper or customary act or procedure:
FORMALITY
properness, conformity with accepted
usage: PROPRIETY
property improvements: CAPITAL EXPEN-
DITURE
property ownership as the key to political
power: TIMOCRACY
property reverting to government in ab-
sence of legal heirs: ESCHEAT
property seizure in legal proceeding: AT-
TACHMENT
property transfer: CONVEYANCE
prophesying, foretelling the future: DIVI-
NATION
prophet or messiah in Islam: MAHDI
prophethood of doom whose prophecies go
unheeded: CASSANDRA
prophetic, enigmatic: ORACULAR
prophetic, having divinatory power:
MANTIC
prophetic, inspired: PYTHONIC
prophetic, oracular: VATIC
proportionate: COMMENSURATE
proposal in outline form for a written
work or business project: PROSPECTUS
propose, suggest: PROPOUND

proposition that is demonstrably true, as in geometry: THEOREM
 propriety or aptness of behavior: CONVENANCE
 prosaic, dull, mediocre: PEDESTRIAN
 prose that is long and tiresome: SCREED
 prosperity, as a mark of the times for instance: FLUSH
 prosperous or successful period: FLORESCENCE
 prostitute: COCOTTE
 prostitute: HARLOT
 prostitute: HOOKER
 prostitute: TROLLOP
 prostitute catering to men of wealth or high rank: COURTESAN
 prostitute who works in response to telephone calls: CALL GIRL
 prostitute's agent: PIMP
 prostitutes as a group: DEMIMONDE
 prostitution, as of talent or office, for gain: VENALITY
 protect against loss or damage: INDEMNIFY
 protected against malfunctioning: FAILSAFE
 protected legally by patent or copyright, owned by a proprietor: PROPRIETARY
 protection against disease: PROPHYLAXIS
 protective influence: AEGIS
 protector of the people: TRIBUNE
 protest or oppose by pleading: REMONSTRATE
 protoplasm building and breaking down as continuous bodily processes: METABOLISM
 prototype: ARCHETYPE
 protruding: EXsertile
 protuberance, swelling: TUBEROSITY
 prove false or contradict: BELIE
 prove someone or something wrong: CONFUTE
 proverb: ADAGE
 proverb: APHORISM
 provincial, limited, narrow: PAROCHIAL
 provincial, limited in outlook: INSULAR
 provisions for a journey: VIATICUM
 provoker of punishable acts: AGENT PROVOCATEUR
 provoking, annoying person: GADFLY
 provoking anger or resentment by being unjustly discriminating: INVIDIOUS
 prudence: CALCULATION
 prudent, diplomatic, wise: POLITIC
 prudent, tactful, careful about what one says: DISCREET

prudent, wary: CANNY
 prudish editing: BOWDLERIZATION
 prudish, shocked or nauseated easily: SQUEAMISH
 pry or break open as with a crowbar: JIMMY
 prying or offensively curious: INQUISITORIAL
 psychiatric disorder marked by separation of thought from emotions: SCHIZOPHRENIA
 psychoanalysis patient: ANALYSAND
 psychoanalyst, psychiatrist: SHRINK
 psychoanalytical arrested development: FIXATION
 public attention or notice: LIMELIGHT
 public brawl: AFFRAY
 public display: BLAZON
 public forum place: AGORA
 public good as the objective: PRO BONO PUBLICO
 public offices offered as rewards of partisan service: SPOILS SYSTEM
 public sale or auction: VENDUE
 publicize officially, put into effect: PROMULGATE
 publicizer of real or alleged corruption: MUCKRAKER
 publisher of books at the author's expense: VANITY PRESS
 publisher's trademark: COLOPHON
 puckish, gay, strange: FET
 pudding baked under a roast to catch the drippings: YORKSHIRE PUDDING
 puff, blow in gusts: WHIFFLE
 pugnacious in a disagreeable way: TRUCULENT
 pull or force away by violent twist: WREST
 pulsatory: SPHYGMIC
 pulsing, throbbing: VIBRANT
 pulverize: COMMINUTE
 pulverize: TRITURATE
 pulverize to fine powder: LEVIGATE
 pun: PARONOMASIA
 pun, double meaning: PLAY UPON WORDS
 punch holes into: PERFORATE
 pungent: ACRID
 punish, beat or thrash severely: TROUNCE
 punish, discipline: FERULE
 punish by arbitrary fine: AMERCE
 punishment for evil: RETRIBUTION
 punishment that corresponds to the nature of the crime: TALION
 punitive, avenging: VINDICATORY

punning: PARONOMASIA
 pupil absent from school without permission: TRUANT
 purchasing power of individuals: REAL INCOME
 pure, primitive: PRISTINE
 pure essential part: QUINTESSENCE
 purging or purifying of emotions: CATHARSIS
 purify by a sacrifice or ceremony: LUS-TRATE
 purify by exposure to air: AERATE
 purify by washing and straining or decanting: ELUTRIATE
 purify or refine: RAREFY
 purifying: DEPURATIVE
 purplish red: MURREY
 purpose, aim, goal: INTENT
 purposeful: TELIC
 purposeless, haphazard: RANDOM
 pursue an undertaking: PROSECUTE
 pursuit, search, adventure: QUEST
 push down, thrust away from: DETRUDE
 push or crowd roughly, shake up, elbow, shove: JOSTLE
 push out, make protrude: EXSERT
 pushy, nosy, obtrusive, forward: OFFICIOUS

put down, belittle: DISPARAGE
 put down, suppress forcibly: QUASH
 put down by force, allay: QUELL
 put in gradually by drops: INSTILL
 put in or inject a comment or digression in a speech or argument: INTERPOSE
 put in prison: INCARCERATE
 put into words, phrase: COUCH
 put off or postpone habitually: PROCRASTINATE
 put out of consciousness unacceptable memories, desires and impulses: REPRESSION
 putting into effect, carrying through: IMPLEMENTATION
 puzzle in which the sound of a word or phrase is represented by letters, numerals, pictures: REBUS
 puzzle out, interpret, understand: FATHOM
 puzzled, uncertain, bewildered: PERPLEXED
 puzzling, complicated, involved: INTRICATE
 puzzling, secret, hidden, occult, mystifying: CRYPTIC
 pyramid or cone with top sliced off: FULSTRUM
 Pyrrhic victory: CADMEAN VICTORY

Q

quack medicine, cure-all, medicine of one's own invention: NOSTRUM
 quack-medicine vendor, charlatan: MOUNTEBANK
 quadrangular: TETRAGONAL
 quail, tremble or crouch as in fear: COWER
 quaint, fanciful, as in a literary work: WHIMSY
 quality, goodness, moral excellence: VIRTUE
 qualm, doubt, apprehension: MISGIVING
 quantity that a container lacks of being full: ULLAGE
 quantity that is specified: QUANTUM
 quarrel: ALTERCATION
 quarrel, difference of opinion, discord: DISSENSION
 quarrel, wrangling: JANGLE
 quarrel or argue noisily: WRANGLE
 quarreling, inability to agree: AT LOGGERHEADS
 quarrelsome: BELlicosE
 quarrelsome: CANTANKEROUS
 quarrelsome: CONTENTIOUS
 quarrelsome: DISSENTIOUS
 quarrelsome: LITIGIOUS
 quarrelsome: PUGNACIOUS
 quarrelsome, vixenish: TERMAGANT
 queenly: REGINAL
 queer, eccentric: CRANKY
 quench or satisfy, as a thirst: SLAKE
 question, examine: INTERROGATE
 question a person insistently: PLY
 question and answer method of instruction: SOCRATIC METHOD
 question and answer method of teaching: CATECHISM
 question asked for effect and not calling for an answer: RHETORICAL QUESTION

question searchingly and at length: CATECHIZE
 questionable, difficult to solve: PROBLEMATIC
 questionable or suspicious: EQUIVOCAL
 questionable or uncertain: DUBIOUS
 questioning existence of God: AGNOSTICISM
 questioning or prying • characterized by harshness: INQUISITION
 quibble: CAVIL
 quibble, lie: PALTER
 quibbler over small matters: PETTIFOGGER
 quibbling: CAPTIOUS
 quick disposal of a matter, as of a piece of business: DISPATCH OR WITH DISPATCH
 quick efficiency: DISPATCH
 quick or ready in performance, easily achieved: FACILE
 quick tempo, rapidly, swiftly, in music: VELOCE
 quickly, briskly, lively, in music: VIVACE
 quickly or suddenly, in music: SUBITO
 quickness of mind: ACUMEN
 quick-tempered, irritable: IRASCIBLE
 quiet, abate, calm: SUBSIDE
 quiet, reserved, reluctant to speak: RETICENT
 quiet consent: ACQUIESCENCE
 quiet down, soothe, mitigate, pacify: MOLLIFY
 quiet, make peaceful: PACIFY
 quiet, serene, calm: TRANQUIL
 quilt made of irregularly shaped pieces of variously colored and patterned fabric: CRAZY QUILT
 quip: SALLY
 quip, fun, playfulness: JEST

quirk, habit, mannerism peculiar to an individual: IDIOSYNCRASY

quiver, flutter, beat rapidly: PALPITATE

quota for a race or class in admission to an academic institution: NUMERUS

CLAUSUS

quotation or motto prefixed to a book:

EPIGRAPH

quoting a person without using his exact

words: INDIRECT DISCOURSE

R



“r” pronounced like “l” or “l” pronounced like “r” or “w”: LALLATION

rabbit dwelling: WARREN

rabbit fur: LAPIN

rabbit stew as prepared in Germany: HASENPFEFFER

rabies: HYDROPHOBIA

race course's section farthest from spectators: BACK STRETCH

race course's straight portion forming the final approach to the finish: HOME STRETCH

race improvement study or science: EUGENICS

race on horseback along a course containing obstacles: STEEPLECHASE

races and ethnic groups, as subjects of study: ETHNOLOGY

racial and ethnic groups brought together in legal and social equality: INTEGRATION

racial equalizing: DESEGREGATION

racial segregation in South Africa: APARTHEID

racing finish so close that a camera is needed to decide the winner: PHOTO FINISH

racing gambling system in which those backing the winners share in the total wagered: PARIMUTUEL

racing gambling system in which winnings of a previous race are placed on a later one: PARLAY

rack or frame on which to dry fish, cheese, bricks, etc.: HACK

rack or platform for drying food: FLAKE

racketeers' money collector: BAGMAN

racy, stimulating: PIQUANT

radar warning system in North America: DEW LINE

radiance, splendor: EFFULGENCE

radiance, brilliance: REFULGENCE

radiance enveloping a sanctified being:

AUREOLE

radiant, transparent: LUCENT

radiate, diffuse: EXUDE

radiating, star-shaped: STELLATE

radical or liberal political figure: LEFTIST

radical or liberal political position: LEFT

radio announcer who conducts a program of recorded music: DISC JOCKEY

radio or television station code letters: CALL LETTERS

radioactivity duration measure: HALF-LIFE

radio-reflecting layer of the ionosphere:

HEAVISIDE LAYER

ragamuffin: TATTERDEMALION

ragged edge of handmade paper: DECKLE EDGE

raggedly dressed person, usually a child:

RAGAMUFFIN

raging, fanatical: RABID

raging, frenzied: MADDING

raid, invasion: INCURSION

raid, lay waste, pillage: HARRY

raid, plunder, invade for booty: MARAUD

raid, plunder, pillage: FORAY

raiding force or member of one: COMMANDO

rail at, berate, find fault abusively: VITUPERATE

railroad building for repairing and switching locomotives: ROUNDHOUSE

railroad signal to go ahead: HIGHBALL

railway with a single track: MONORAIL

rainbow-like colors that shift: IRIDESCENCE

rainbow trout along the Pacific coast: STEELHEAD

rainfall study: HYETOGRAPHY

rainy: PLUVIOUS

rainy season that comes with the summer

- wind along the Asian coast of the Pacific: MONSOON
- raise trivial objections, or carp: CAVIL
- raise with a rope: TRICE
- raised figures worked on a surface as decoration: EMBOSSED
- raised platform on which guests of honor or speakers are seated: DAIS
- raised sculpture in which figures project slightly: BAS-RELIEF
- rake, profligate: LIBERTINE
- rake, sensualist: ROUÉ
- raking gunfire: ENFILADE
- rakish, vulgar: RAFFISH
- ram that has been castrated: WETHER
- ramble, wander from main subject: DIGRESS
- rambling, aimless wandering: MEANDERING
- rambling, confused: INCOHERENT
- rambling, discursive, digressive: EXCURSIVE
- rambling and wordy talk: GARRULITY
- ramp or incline: GRADIENT
- ramp with curving or spiral passageway: HELICLINE
- ram's horn of ancient times still used in synagogues: SHOFAR
- rancorous, bitter: VIRULENT
- random, accidental: HAPHAZARD
- random, confused: INDISCRIMINATE
- random shot or criticism: POT SHOT
- range, extent, scope: PURVIEW
- range, scope: LATITUDE
- range in its entirety: GAMUT
- range or limit, as of power or action: TETHER
- rank, spoiled-smelling: RANCID
- rank formation as with troops, fleets, airplanes: ECHELON
- rank in society, organization, business, etc.: PECKING ORDER
- rankle, irritate, cause bitterness: FESTER
- ransack and rob: RIFLE
- rapid, swift: TANTIVY
- rapidly, swiftly, quick tempo, in music: VELOCE
- rapture or emotion that is overpowering: ECSTASY
- rare person or thing: RARA AVIS
- rare-book dealer: BIBLIOPOLE
- rascal, rogue: RAPSCALLION
- rash: BRASH
- rash, hasty, impulsive: IMPETUOUS
- rash, incautious, thriftless: IMPROVIDENT
- rash, reckless: TEMERARIOUS
- rashly, recklessly: HEADLONG
- ratify, approve, permit: SANCTION
- rational, clear, easily understood, bright, shining: LUCID
- rationalization of matters of morals and ethics: CASUISTRY
- rattle, crackle: CREPITATE
- rattling or clattering noise: BRATTLE
- rattle that is gourd-shaped and used to sound a rhythm: MARACA
- rave, speak violently: RANT
- raw cane sugar: MUSCOVADO
- raw material: STAPLE
- reach or arrive at a port: FETCH
- react: REDOUND
- reaction developed by training: CONDITIONED REFLEX
- reaction in exaggerated form to a psychological defect: OVERCOMPENSATION
- reaction in exaggerated form to a situation or subject: COMPLEX
- reaction of a violent nature: BACKLASH
- read intently or study with care: PORE
- read or examine thoroughly, scrutinize: PERUSE
- read or glance over hastily: SKIM
- read quickly, glance at: SCAN
- readily, willingly: LIEF
- readiness to comply, pliancy: FACILITY
- reading ability impairment: DYSLLEXIA
- reading ability is beyond this person: FUNCTIONAL ILLITERATE
- reading ability lost: ALEXIA
- reading of a word or sentence is the same backward as forward: PALINDROME
- ready, easy-going, agreeable: FACILE
- ready to be put into use: OPERATIONAL
- real, actual: SUBSTANTIVE
- real, material, having definite shape: TANGIBLE
- real existence of something in the mind, actual being: ENTITY
- realistic to the point of looking real, as in art or decoration: TROMPE L'OEIL
- reality studied as a philosophical theory: ONTOLOGY
- realization or accomplishment of things worked for: FRUITION
- reappearance or fresh outbreak: RECRUDESCENCE
- rear, feed, support, raise: NURTURE
- rear car of freight train: CABOOSE
- rear end of a boat: STERN
- rear, toward the stern, on a boat: AFT

reason, think: INTELLECTUALIZE
 reason by logical methods: RATIOCINATE
 reason or justification for being: RAISON
 D'ETRE
 reason earnestly with someone, remon-
 strate: EXPOSTULATE
 reasonable, apparently true, but open to
 doubt: PLAUSIBLE
 reasonable, practicable, suitable: FEASIBLE
 reasoned, sensible: RATIONAL
 reasoning as opposed to intuition in reach-
 ing conclusions: DISCURSIVE
 reasoning from general to particular: DE-
 DUCTIO
 reasoning that is clever but unsound:
 SOPHISTRY
 reasoning that is faulty or illogical: PA-
 RALOGISM
 reasons underlying something: RATIONALE
 rebellious: INSUBORDINATE
 rebellious: INSURGENT
 rebellious, insolent: CONTUMACIOUS
 rebellious, irritable, unruly, cranky:
 FRACTIOUS
 rebirth, restoration, reconstitution: RE-
 GENERATION
 rebound or skip of a bullet or stone after it
 hits a surface at an angle: RICOCHET
 rebuff, reject, repel: REPULSE
 rebuke, castigate, rake over the coals:
 KEELHAUL
 rebuke, censure, blame for a fault: RE-
 PROACH
 rebuke, disapproval, censure: REPROOF
 rebuke, criticize, find fault with, blame:
 REPREHEND
 rebuke or censure severely: REPRIMAND
 rebuke or chastise severely: CASTIGATE
 rebuke sharply, upbraid, berate: OB-
 JURGATE
 recall, cancel, rescind, annul: REVOKE
 recall to mind, remember: RETRIEVE
 recalling or telling of past events: REMI-
 NISCENCE
 recalling past occurrences, remembering:
 RETROSPECTION
 recalling to mind: ANAMNESIS
 recant: ABJURE
 recapitulation of an oration: PERORA-
 TION
 receptive: HOSPITABLE
 recess, time between parts of a perfor-
 mance or between events or activi-
 ties: INTERMISSION
 recess period in work: COFFEE BREAK

recipient of benefits or favors: BENEFI-
 CIARY
 reckless, careless: DEVIL-MAY-CARE
 reckless, careless, weak: FECKLESS
 reckless, rash: TEMERARIOUS
 reckless dealing: PLAY DUCKS AND DRAKES
 WITH
 reckless ride in a stolen vehicle, ride for
 pleasure: JOY RIDE
 recklessly, rashly: HEADLONG
 reclining, leaning, lying down: RECUM-
 BENT
 recluse: ANCHORITE
 recluse: TROGLODYTE
 recognize as different, perceive: DISCERN
 recoil: BACKLASH
 recoil, resume original shape after being
 stretched: RESILE
 recollection: ANAMNESIS
 reconcile and blend, as various philoso-
 phies: SYNCRETIZE
 record of happenings worth remembering:
 MEMORABILIA
 recover: RECUPERATE
 recover, pay off: REDEEM
 recover, remedy the consequences of,
 regain, make up for: RETRIEVE
 recovery of property pending a court test:
 REPLEVIN
 rectify, compensate: REDRESS
 rectum and its diseases, as a branch of
 medicine: PROCTOLOGY
 recurrence in the mind of the same
 thought, experience, etc.: PER-
 SEVERATION
 recurrent: CHRONIC
 recurring at regular intervals, intermittent:
 PERIODIC
 red, especially in heraldry: GULES
 red color that is dull: STAMMEL
 red tape in government: BUREAUCRACY
 reddening: RUBESCENT
 redemption price of a bond, if it is higher
 than the face value: PREMIUM
 red-handed: IN FLAGRANTE DELICTO
 redistrict a voting area so as to advance
 the interests of a political party:
 GERRYMANDER
 reduce expenses: RETRENCH
 reduce in quantity or force: ABATE
 reduce in rank or position: ABASE
 reduce in size, lessen, belittle: MINIFY
 reduce to smallest possible amount or de-
 gree: MINIMIZE
 reduction of debt or liability, done gradu-

ally as by installment payments: AMORTIZATION
 reduction of personnel through retirement, death, etc.: ATTRITION
 redundancy: TAUTOLOGY
 redundancy, use of excess words: PLEONASM
 refine or purify: RAREFY
 refine, purify, clear of waste matter: DEFECATE
 refined, polite, suave: URBANE
 refined or delicate to an extreme: FASTIDIOUS
 refined to excess: RECHERCHÉ
 refinement, well-bred in one's ways: GENTILITY
 reflect, think about, consider carefully: PONDER
 reflecting light, shining back, bright: RELUCENT
 reflective, serious, often melancholy: PENSIVE
 refrain from: ABSTAIN
 refreshments: COLLATION
 refusal given bluntly: REBUFF
 refuse, scorn, reject: SPURN
 refuse, waste matter: DROSS
 refuse scornfully, treat with contempt: DISDAIN
 refuse to accept, disown, reject: REPUDIATE
 refuse to deal with so as to punish: BOYCOTT
 refuse to go forward, balk: JIB
 refutation in syllogistic form: ELENCHUS
 regain, as for a loss: RECOUP
 regain, recover, make up for, remedy the consequences of: RETRIEVE
 register or enroll in a college or university as a candidate for a degree: MATRICULATE
 register of deeds, etc.: CARTULARY
 regret an action, feel contrite: REPENT
 regret extremely: RUE
 regret, plead against: DEPRECATE
 regular fixed-dollar amount method of purchasing securities: MONTHLY INVESTMENT PLAN
 regular repetition: CONTINUAL
 regularly recurring, intermittent: PERIODIC
 regulate, adjust, temper or soften: MODULATE
 rehearsal: DRY RUN
 reimburse: RECOUP
 rein thirty or more feet long at the end of

which the horse moves for training and exercise: LONGE
 reinvigorating: ANALEPTIC
 reject, rebuff, repel: REPULSE
 reject, drive back: REPEL
 reject, refuse, scorn: SPURN
 reject, refuse to accept, disown: REPUDIATE
 reject with contempt, refuse scornfully: DISDAIN
 rejection of customary belief, immortality and institutions: NIHILISM
 rejoice greatly: EXULT
 related on the male or father's side: AGNATE
 related or alike in meaning, significance or effect: SYNONYMOUS
 related or similar in structure, position, value: HOMOLOGOUS
 related superficially: TANGENTIAL
 related to a subject, relevant: PERTINENT
 related to what is being discussed, relevant, pertinent: GERMANE
 relationship that is close: AFFINITY
 relationships within a group, as a study: SOCIOMETRY
 relaxant, sleep-producing medicine: OPIATE
 release from care and pain, bliss: NIRVANA
 release of repressed emotion by reliving or talking about original situation: ABREACTION
 relentless: INEXORABLE
 relevant, pertinent, related to what is being discussed: GERMANE
 relevant, related to a subject: PERTINENT
 relevant only in part: TANGENTIAL
 relief design, as in metal: REPOUSSÉ
 relieving irritation, soothing: DEMULCENT
 religious belief rejected: ATHEISM
 religious devotion: PIETY
 religious ecstasy: THEOPATHY
 religious literature, traditions, etc.: HIEROLOGY
 religious movement based on literal acceptance of everything in the Bible: FUNDAMENTALISM
 religious offering: OBLATION
 religious ritual: LITURGY
 religious washing of hands: ABLUTION
 relinquish, give up, forgo: WAIVE
 reliquary: FERETORY
 reliving a traumatic situation for release from it: ABREACTION
 reluctant, unwilling: LOATH

remainder, leftover part: RESIDUE
 remainder after deducting all allowances:
 NET
 remark made in passing, comment that is
 not binding: OBITER DICTUM
 remark or observation that is brief, clever
 and pointed: EPIGRAM
 remarkable, strange, extraordinary: UN-
 ACCOUNTABLE
 remarriage after death or divorce of first
 spouse: DIGAMY
 remedy: TREACLE
 remedy for all ailments, cure-all: PANACEA
 remedy or cure for all ills: CATHOLICON
 remedy that one swears by, medicine of
 one's own invention, quack medi-
 cine, cure-all: NOSTRUM
 remedy the consequences of, get back,
 regain: RETRIEVE
 remember, recall to mind: RETRIEVE
 remembering: RETROSPECTION
 remembering in complete detail: TOTAL
 RECALL
 remind one of a mistake or fault in order
 to taunt or annoy: TWIT
 remission of sin: ABSOLUTION
 remorse: COMPUNCTION
 remove, take off, as clothing: DOFF
 remove attention from: PRESCIND
 remove obscene or otherwise objection-
 able material: EXPURGATE
 remove or dissociate from former habits:
 WEAN
 remove or drive away, as by scattering:
 DISPEL
 remove property to a distance or beyond a
 jurisdiction: ELOIGN
 removing by surgery: ABSCISSION
 renaming a parent after his or her child:
 TEKNONYMY
 render null and void: INVALIDATE
 renew, repair: RENOVATE
 renew, restore to perfection: REDIN-
 TEGRATE
 renounce: ABJURE
 renounce: ABNEGATION
 renounce, give up: RELINQUISH
 renounce claim to right or power: AB-
 DICATE
 renounce or abandon emphatically: FOR-
 SWEAR
 renovate, make over: REVAMP
 renown or splendor of reputation: ECLAT
 renowned, distinguished: ILLUSTRIOUS
 renowned, important: PRESTIGIOUS

repay evil in kind, take revenge: RETALI-
 ATE
 repay in kind, compensate: REQUITE
 repay or pay, make up for, as a loss: REC-
 OMPENSE
 repeal: ABROGATE
 repeal, revoke, abrogate: RESCIND
 repeat: ITERATE
 repeat, say or do over and over: REITER-
 ATE
 repeat meaningless words over and over,
 babble: VERBIGERATE
 repeated: CONTINUAL
 repeated song or phrase in music: REPRISE
 repeatedly appearing: RECURRENT
 repel: REBUFF
 repel, reject, rebuff: REPULSE
 repent: RUE
 repetition needlessly in different words:
 TAUTOLOGY
 repetition of an initial sound in a series of
 words: ALLITERATION
 repetition of last word of one sentence at
 beginning of next sentence or clause:
 ANADIPLOSIS
 repetition of word or phrase: ANAPHORA
 repetition of someone's words in senseless
 fashion: ECHOLALIA
 repetition of written letters or words done
 unintentionally: DITTOGRAPHY
 replace, supplant: SUPERSEDE
 replies that are quick and witty: REPARTEE
 reply, please: RÉPONDEZ S'IL VOUS PLAÎT
 (R.S.V.P.)
 reply proving someone or something
 wrong: CONFUTE
 reply sharply: RETORT
 report of proceedings: CAHIER
 reporting official for a conference or com-
 mittee: RAPPORTEUR
 representative of a government, as a civil
 magistrate or officer: SYNDIC
 representative of a special interest group
 who tries to influence legislation:
 LOBBYIST
 representative or symbol of something, as
 of a doctrine or a cause: EXPONENT
 reprimand, scolding: RATING
 reproach, scold, censure: UPBRAID
 reproach sarcastically: TAUNT
 reproduction or imitation of the original:
 ECTYPE
 reprove mildly: ADMONISH
 reptiles and amphibians, as a study: HER-
 PETOLOGY

- repudiate: ABJURE
 repudiate, contradict, deny: DISAFFIRM
 repudiate a former belief: RECANT
 repugnant, disgusting, offensive, hateful: ODIUS
 repulsive: LOATHSOME
 repulsive, evil, flagrantly bad: VILE
 repulsive appearance: EYESORE
 reputed, usually considered: PUTATIVE
 request or entreaty that succeeds: IMPE-
 TRATION
 require, claim: POSTULATE
 require as a matter of justice, demand
 rigorously: EXACT
 required, indispensable: REQUISITE
 required, obligatory: MANDATORY
 required by long use or custom: PRE-
 SCRIPTIVE
 required earlier than something that fol-
 lows: PREREQUISITE
 resemblance in certain aspects of other-
 wise dissimilar things: ANALOGY
 resembling another closely: COUNTER-
 PART
 resent another's possessions or enjoyment:
 BEGRUDGE
 resentful, angry: IN HIGH DUDGEON
 resentfully morose, glum: SULLEN
 resentment, anger: DUDGEON
 resentment, injured feeling: UMBRAGE
 resentment, offended pride: PIQUE
 reservation, excuse: SALVO
 reserve accumulation of goods: STOCKPILE
 reserve of unfilled orders: BACKLOG
 reserved, close-mouthed: TACITURN
 reserved, coy, shy, modest: DEMURE
 reserved, reluctant to speak, quiet: RETI-
 CENT
 residence: ABODE
 resignation or giving up an office: DEMIS-
 SION
 resiliency of market in a particular secu-
 rity in the face of changing prices:
 LIQUIDITY
 resistance to established government: IN-
 SURRECTION
 resistance to harmful influence or disease,
 exemption from obligation or pen-
 alty: IMMUNITY
 resistant, immune: INSUSCEPTIBLE
 resistant, not yielding to treatment, as a
 disease: REFRACTORY
 resistant, unyielding: IMPREGNABLE
 resistant to change, cautious, moderate:
 CONSERVATIVE
 resisting, doubting, ignoring attitude:
 NEGATIVISM
 resolved, unflinching, determined: RESO-
 LUTE
 resonant: SONOROUS
 resounding loudly: REBOANT
 resounding or echoing: RESONANT
 respect, reverence or homage: OBEISANCE
 respect deeply: VENERATE
 respect demanded, criticism forbidden for
 such a person or idea: SACRED COW
 respectable: SAVORY
 respects paid to a dignitary such as a king:
 DEVOIRS
 responding involuntarily to a stimulus, as
 an organism does: TROPISM
 response developed by training: CONDI-
 TIONED REFLEX
 response, echo: REPLICATION
 responsibility for all one's acts (Buddhism
 and Hinduism): KARMA
 responsive to persuasion or change:
 AMENABLE
 responsive to persuasion or entreaty: EX-
 ORABLE
 rest in peace: REQUIESCAT IN PACE
 rest interval, postponement, delay: RE-
 SPITE
 restaurant or bar that is small: BISTRO
 restaurant or cafe that provides entertain-
 ment: CABARET
 resting, leaning or weighing upon some-
 thing: INCUMBENT
 resting, nonactive: STATIC
 resting place for travelers or pilgrims:
 HOSPICE
 restless, superficial, frivolous: YEASTY
 restless, unruly, fidgety: RESTIVE
 restless or nervous movements: FIDGET
 restlessness, anxiety: DISQUIETUDE
 restlessness, uneasiness: INQUIETUDE
 restoration, compensation, amends: REP-
 ARATION
 restore friendship: RECONCILE
 restore to perfection, renew: REDIN-
 TEGRATE
 restore to rank, position, or state of health:
 REHABILITATE
 restore youthful feeling or vigor: REJUVE-
 NATE
 restrain or check, as an impulse: INHIBIT
 restrained, moderate: TEMPERATE
 restraint in sexual activity; moderation:
 CONTINENCE
 restrict to a scanty amount: STINT

restriction, boundary: PALE
 restriction on freight transportation: EM-BARGO
 result: AFTERMATH
 result, effect: RAMIFICATION
 result or consequence that is normal: COROLLARY
 resuscitation: ANABIOSIS
 retaining wall: REVETMENT
 retaliation: REPRISAL
 retentive, as memory: TENACIOUS
 retinue, train of attendants: CORTEGE
 retire, make oneself inconspicuous: EFFACE
 retired from active service, but retained in honorary position: EMERITUS
 retired on account of age: SUPERANNUATED
 retort that is sharp and swift: RIPOSTE
 retract: ABJURE
 retraction: PALINODE
 retreat to an earlier or worse condition: RETROGRESS
 retroactive: EX POST FACTO
 return by an offender to criminal acts or antisocial behavior: RECIDIVISM
 return in kind or amount: RECIPROCATÉ
 return like for like, repay evil with evil, revenge: RETALIATE
 return of part of the output of a system into the input: FEEDBACK
 return to a former place, position or condition: REVERT
 return to normal condition or better: RALLY
 reveal, bring to light, disclose: EXHUME
 reveal, give vent to: UNBOSOM
 reveal, tell, as a secret: DIVULGE
 revelry, usually lasting for a special season or period: SATURNALIA
 revenge sought by a country at the cost of war or violence: REVANCHISM
 revengeful, spiteful: VINDICTIVE
 reverberation, aftereffect: REPERCUSSION
 revere: VENERATE
 reverence, homage, respect: OBEISANCE
 reverie: BROWN STUDY
 reversal of opinion: ABOUT-FACE
 reversal of opinion: FLIP-FLOP
 reverse counting of time: COUNTDOWN
 reverse of a proposition in logic: OBLVERSE
 reverse of truth thought of as if it were truth: DOUBLETHINK
 reverse of phraseology in second of two parallel expressions: CHIASMUS

reverse reading of a word or sentence is the same as forward reading: PALINDROME
 reverse side of a phonograph record: FLIP SIDE
 reverse vision, as when objects are seen as in a mirror: STREPHOSYMBOLIA
 reversed or opposite in order or effect: INVERSE
 reversed order of things or events, used as a figure of speech: HYSTERON PROTERON
 reversion, backward movement: REGRESSION
 reversion to a more primitive type: ATAVISM
 reversion to an earlier form or condition: THROWBACK
 reviewing past occurrences, remembering: RETROSPECTION
 revise, renovate: REVAMP
 revise or vary, restrict or limit: MODIFY
 revival, new birth: RENASCENCE
 revive, bring or come back to life: RESUSCITATE
 revive, refresh, renew: RENOVATE
 revoke, abrogate, repeal: RESCIND
 revoke a legacy: ADEEM
 revoke or reverse a command: COUNTERMAND
 revolve or rotate, usually around a fixed point: GYRATE
 revolting, detestable, abominable: EXECRABLE
 revolving, whirling or circular motion: GYRAL
 rewarding partisan service with public offices: SPOILS SYSTEM
 rewording of a statement with the original meaning retained: PARAPHRASE
 reworked literary material, rehash: RECHAUFFÉ
 rhyme composed of words similar in spelling but not in sound: EYE RHYME
 rhyme in which stress falls on next to the last syllable: FEMININE RHYME
 rhyme scheme in which a word within the line of verse rhymes with the final word of the line: LEONINE RHYME
 rhyming game in which a rhyme must be given for word or line given by another: CRAMBO
 rhythmic or measured flow: CADENCE
 rhythmic placement of a tone so that its

- accent does not coincide with the metric accent: SYNCOPATION
 rib or ridge, as on fabric: WALE
 ribbon cluster or rosette worn as a badge: COCKADE
 ribbon worn as an insignia of honor or rank: CORDON
 ribbons and pins in a store: NOTIONS
 rice cooked in broth: RISOTTO
 rich and resonant, as a tone: VIBRANT
 rich man: CROESUS
 rich or influential man: NABOB
 rich person who has become so only recently: NOUVEAU RICHE
 riches, wealth: OPULENCE
 rickety: RAMSHACKLE
 rid oneself of: SLOUGH
 riddle, involving a pun: CONUNDRUM
 riddle, puzzle, obscure or ambiguous saying: ENIGMA
 ride for pleasure, reckless ride in a stolen vehicle: JOY RIDE
 ridge around hatchway or skylight to keep out water: COAMING
 ridge or rib, as on fabric: WALE
 ridges fixed across the fingerboard of a guitar or other stringed instrument: FRETS
 ridicule or scorn publicly: PILLORY
 ridicule or treat with scornful mirth: DERIDE
 ridicule or wit used to attack vices or follies: SATIRE
 ridiculous, absurd: LUDICROUS
 ridiculous or ludicrous situation: FARCE
 riding the crest of a wave toward shore on a surfboard: SURFING
 rifle with short barrel: CARBINE
 right a wrong, make compensation: REDRESS
 right- and left-handed: AMBIDEXTROUS
 right angle position of a line or place to another: PERPENDICULAR
 right-angled triangle's side that is opposite the right angle: HYPOTENUSE
 right of feudal lords to first night with a bride: DROIT DU SEIGNEUR
 right of the state to take over private property for public use: EMINENT DOMAIN
 right or claim that is legal: DROIT
 right or left part of something, side: FLANK
 right side as opposed to the left side: DEXTER
- right that is exclusive or a privilege: PREROGATIVE
 right to left, a word or sentence reads the same as left to right: PALINDROME
 right word or expression: MOT JUSTE
 righteousness or holiness pretended: SANCTIMONIOUS
 rigid, enlarged condition of the penis: ERECTION
 rigid, inflexible: HARD-SHELL
 rigid, severe: STRINGENT
 rigidity of the muscles after death: RIGOR MORTIS
 rigmarole: AMPHIGORY
 ring, as for the finger, made up of two interlocked circlets: GIMMAL
 ring for attaching a leash, as to a dog's collar: TERRET
 ring or disk used to make a connection watertight or gastight: GASKET
 ring in the ears: TINNITUS
 ringing of bells: TINTINNABULATION
 ringing or tinkling sound: JINGLE
 ring-shaped hard breadroll: BAGEL
 Rio de Janeiro resident: CARIOCA
 riot, civil or political disturbance: DISTEMPER
 riotous, wild: TURBULENT
 rip apart forcibly: REND
 ripen: MATURATE
 ripple, bubble, heave: POPPLE
 rise above: TRANSCEND
 rise and float in the air: LEVITATE
 rise or overflow of a stream occurring suddenly: FRESHET
 rise somewhat from the water when moving at high speed: PLANE
 rising again: RESURGENT
 rising and falling gently, wavy in appearance: UNDULATING
 rising and setting of a star: ACRONICAL
 rising market: BULL MARKET
 rising up in insurrection: INSURGENCE
 risks taken to achieve some end: BRINKSMANSHIP
 risky: SPECULATIVE
 risky, uncertain: TOUCH-AND-GO
 risqué, indecent: SCABROUS
 risqué, suggestive: RACY
 rite considered ordained by Jesus as a means of grace: SACRAMENT
 ritual of public religious worship: LITURGY
 rival or vie with successfully: EMULATE
 rivalry or competition: CONTENTION
 river bank area: RIPARIAN

river embankment built to prevent flooding: LEVEE
 river mouth where the stream's current meets the sea, an inlet of the sea: ESTUARY
 river of oblivion, forgetfulness: LETHE
 river of woe: ACHERON
 river's head or supply of water: WATER-SHED
 road ascending a steep incline in a zigzag pattern: SWITCHBACK
 road raised over marshy land: CAUSEWAY
 road repairing utilizing forced labor: CORVEE
 roam about in search of diversion, gad about: GALLIVANT
 roaming, homeless: NOMADIC
 rob, strip, deprive of: DESPOIL
 rob a truck or seize a plane in transit: HI-JACK
 robber or bandit, usually one of a group: BRIGAND
 robber who assaults victim from behind: MUGGER
 robber who smuggles goods out of an open store: SHOPLIFTER
 robe or undercoat, long sleeved and sashed: CAFTAN
 robust, sound and vigorous health: HALE
 robust, tough: HARDY
 rock projecting and isolated: SCAR
 rocket-firing schedule measured in records in reverse order: COUNTDOWN
 rocket's forward separable section designed to stand intense heat: NOSE CONE
 rocket's head containing explosive: WAR-HEAD
 rocks and their characteristics, as a study: PETROLOGY
 rocks' structure and composition as a scientific study: LITHOLOGY
 rocky cliff that extends a distance: PALISADES
 ROCOCO: BAROQUE
 rod that holds meat together for cooking: SKEWER
 rod that is pointed and is used for cooking meat over a fire: SPIT
 rod that is symbol of royalty: SCEPTER
 rogue, rascal: RAPSCALLION
 roll in shape of a crescent: CROISSANT
 roll of film or magnetic tape in a case: CASSETTE

roll of hard bread that is ring-shaped: BAGEL
 roll of sliced meat filled with minced meat: ROULADE
 roll of minced meat or fish in a thin pastry: RISSOLE
 roll or move tumultuously: WELTER
 rolled up, spirally curling: VOLUTE
 rollicking type of square dance: HOEDOWN
 romantic in intentions but impractical: QUIXOTIC
 roof that is rounded, dome: CUPOLA
 roof tile with an unbalanced S shape: PANTILE
 roof with single slope and its upper edge abutting a wall: LEAN-TO
 roof with two slopes on each side: MANSARD
 roof with two slopes on each side, the lower having a steeper pitch: GAMBREL ROOF
 room or territory for expansion: LEBENSRAUM
 roomy: CAPACIOUS
 rooster that is castrated to make the meat better for eating: CAPON
 root out, destroy wholly: EXTIRPATE
 rootlike: RHIZOID
 rope, cable or wire used to steady or secure something: GUY
 rope or cable for mooring or towing: HAWSER
 rosette or ribbon badge: COCKADE
 rosy: RUBICUND
 rotary combustion engine for automobiles: WANKEL ENGINE
 rotate or revolve, usually around a fixed point: GYRATE
 rotation force: TORQUE
 rotten: CARIOUS
 rotten, corrupt: PUTRID
 rotten or dead flesh: CARRION
 rough, crude, unrefined: UNCOUTH
 rough, plain, simple: RUSTIC
 rough-and-tumble clash, fracas: SCRIMMAGE
 roughly handle, manhandle, abuse: MAUL
 roughness: ASPERITY
 round building or hall: ROTUNDA
 round up: CORRAL
 roundabout: AMBIGUOUS
 roundabout or indirect: CIRCUITOUS
 roundabout talk: CIRCUMLOCUTION
 rounded, full, clear voice: OROTUND
 rounded, spherical: ORBICULAR

- rounded mass: GLOMERATION
 rounded out, plump: ROTUND
 roundness: SPHERICITY
 rouse to action, stimulate, arouse: GALVANIZE
 route followed in traveling: ITINERARY
 routine, commonplace, ordinary: MUNDANE
 routinely performed without interest: PERFUNCTORY
 roving, wandering, straying, itinerant: ERRANT
 royalty symbol in the form of a rod: SCEPTER
 rub away: ABRABE
 rub out, erase, cancel, obliterate: EFFACE
 rub the body with oil: EMBROCATE
 rubbing off or wearing off of particles: DETRITION
 rubbish, nonsense, worthless: TRUMPERY
 rubbish, refuse, leavings: OFFAL
 ruddy: SANGUINE
 ruddy, flushed: FLORID
 rude, disorderly, boisterous: RAMBUNCTIOUS
 rude, sullen: SURLY
 rude or discourteous manner: INCIVILITY
 rude or ill-natured person: CHURL
 rudeness, insolence: IMPERTINENCE
 rudeness in speech that is insulting and scornful: CONTUMELY
 rudimentary: ABECEDARIAN
 ruffle at the neckline or front of a bodice or shirt: JABOT
 ruffle on a blouse or coat at the waist: PEPLUM
 ruffle or upset the balance: DISTEMPER
 ruffled or pleated strip of fabric worn about the neck or wrists of a woman's costume: RUCHE
 rugged and weather-beaten: GNARLED
 ruin, destruction: HAVOC
 ruin, rout, sudden and ruinous breakdown or collapse: DEBACLE
 ruin, wreck, pillage: RAVAGE
 rule, moral guide, maxim: PRECEPT
 rule by the best: ARISTOCRACY
 rule of principle that is established: CANON
 rule or standard by which a judgment can be made: CRITERION
 rule or treat with cruel power: TYRANNIZE
 ruler who governs in place of a sovereign: REGENT
 ruler of a people or province: ETHNARCH
 ruler or similar instrument used to punish children: FERULE
 ruler who is supreme: SOVEREIGN
 rulers or sovereigns reigning in succession in one line of descent: DYNASTY
 rules or directions printed for use in religious services: RUBRIC
 Rumanian and Israeli folk dance in which dancers lock arms in a circle: HORA
 rum drink that includes lemon or lime juice and sugar: PLANTER'S PUNCH
 rummage about for something: FOSSICK
 rumor, gossip, the lowdown: SCUTTLEBUTT
 rumor that is false: CANARD
 rumpled, untidy, unkempt, tousled: DISHEVELED
 rumbling noise, move with rumbling noise: LUMBER
 run, go in a hurry: SCAMPER
 run away to escape law: ABSCOND
 run with steady swinging stride: LOPE
 run-down, neglected, fallen into ruin or decay: DILAPIDATED
 runners fastened to shoes for gliding over snow: SKIS
 running at a slow, jolting pace: JOG
 running together of final and initial sounds of two adjacent words: SANDHI
 rural: AGRESTIC
 rural life portrayed as peaceful and idyllic: PASTORAL
 rural or farming affairs: GEORGIC
 rush forward: SALLY
 rush headlong: HURTLE
 rush wildly: CAREEN
 ruthlessly compelling conformity: PROCRUSTEAN
 Russian country home: DACHA
 Russian dance in which a squatting man kicks each leg out alternately: KAZATSKY
 Russian for comrade: TOVARICH
 Russian title equivalent to Mr.: GOSPODIN
 Russian triangular shaped stringed instrument: BALALAIKA
 Russian vehicle drawn by three horses abreast: TROIKA
 rustic or pastoral: BUCOLIC
 rustling, whispering, softly murmuring: SUSURRANT
 rustling as of silk, swish, fanciness: FROUFROU
 rye or bourbon cocktail made with vermouth: MANHATTAN

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“s” shaped: SIGMATE
 sable fur: ZIBELINE
 sack of canvas or duck used for carrying personal possessions: DUFFLE BAG or DUFFEL BAG
 sacred books of any sect or religion: CANON
 sacredness maintained, unbroken: INVIOLE
 sacrificial offering, wholly consumed by fire: HOLOCAUST
 saddened, dejected, gloomy: DISCONSOLATE
 sad, mournful, painful: DOLOROUS
 sad, pitiful, causing sorrow: PATHETIC
 sad or mournful, especially in a ludicrous manner: LUGUBRIOUS
 saddened or desolate through loss: BEREAVED
 saddle, the hind part of which projects upward: CANTLE
 sadism or masochism: ALGOLAGNIA
 safe or proof against attack: UNASSAILABLE
 said or done for effect or as a formality: GESTURE
 sail of triangular shape ahead of the foremast: JIB
 sailboat with a single mast and fore and aft rigging: SLOOP
 sailboat’s mast or boom: SPAR
 sailing close to the wind: LUFF
 sailor ranking below an able-bodied seaman: ORDINARY SEAMAN
 sailor who is a veteran, old salt: SHELLBACK
 sailor’s bag for belongings: DITTY BAG
 sailors’ rhythmical working song: CHANTEY
 St. Vitus dance: CHOREA
 sainted: CANONIZED

salary, pension, allowance: STIPEND
 salary or fee for a service: EMOLUMENT
 sale item priced near or below cost to promote sale of others: LOSS LEADER
 sales force manager in a store: FLOORWALKER
 saliva, spittle: SPUTUM
 salmon before it enters the ocean: PARR
 salmon of a salty, smoked variety: LOX
 salmon that has returned for the first time from the sea to fresh water: GRILSE
 salty: SALINE
 salty, briny: BRACKISH
 salvage something usable from refuse: SCAVENGE
 same: DITTO
 same as previous reference: IBID
 same kind of person or thing: CONGENER
 sameness in style, tone, expression, color: MONOTONE
 sample strip of fabric: SWATCH
 sanctimonious: PHARISAIC
 sandals with uppers made of straps: HUARACHES
 sandstone used to scour the wooden decks of a ship: HOLYSTONE
 sandwich with three slices of bread and two layers of filling: DOUBLE-DECKER
 sandy grittiness: SABULOUS
 sarcastic: ACRIMONIOUS
 sarcastic, caustic, cutting: MORDANT
 sarcastic or biting: CAUSTIC
 sarcastic or humorous speech in which opposite of what is said is meant: IRONY
 sardinelike fish: SPRAT
 sarong style loincloth worn by Samoan natives: LAVA-LAVA
 sash, usually wide, worn as a waistband: CUMMERBUND
 sassy: CHEEKY

sassy young woman: BAGGAGE
 satanic: CLOVEN-HOOFED
 sated, full, amply supplied: REPLETE
 satire that is sarcastic or coarse and is posted publicly: PASQUINADE
 satirize or abuse in humorous prose or verse: LAMPOON
 satisfy or quench, as a thirst: SLAKE
 saturate, permeate, fertilize: IMPREGNATE
 sauce, as for fish, made of mayonnaise and chopped pickles, capers, etc.: TARTAR SAUCE
 sauce made with mayonnaise and spices: RÉMOULADE
 sauce of onions, butter and white sauce: SOUBISE
 sauce thickened with fat and flour: ROUX
 sauciness, impertinence: FLIPPANCY
 saucy, brazen, shameless, bold: IMPUDENT
 saucy, lively: PERT
 sausage-shaped: ALLANTOID
 savage, fierce, bloodthirsty, cruel: FEROCIOUS
 savage, wild: FERAL
 save from destruction: SALVAGE
 saved material after a wreck, fire, etc.: SALVAGE
 savory, pleasant tasting: SAPID
 say or do over and over, repeat: REITERATE
 saying long in use: ADAGE
 saying something that one suggests is too obvious to say: PARALEIPSIS
 sayings ascribed to Jesus but not found in Bible: AGRAPHA
 scale ramparts by ladders: ESCALADE
 scaly: SQUAMOUS
 scanty: SKIMPY
 scanty, inadequate, thin: MEAGER
 scanty, small, diminutive: EXIGUOUS
 scanty, stingy: NIGGARDLY
 scar or scarlike marking: CICATRIX
 scarcity, lack, famine: DEARTH
 scarf, long and made of fur or fabric, worn over a woman's shoulders: STOLE
 scarf, necktie: CRAVAT
 scarf, often of lace, worn over head and shoulders by Spanish women: MANTILLA
 scarf worn about the head and shoulders by Spanish and Latin American women: REBOZO
 scarf worn on the head by women: BABUSHKA

scatter, drive away, dispel: DISPERSE
 scatter among other things, set here and there: INTERPERSE
 scatter or diffuse, as if by sowing: DISSEMINATE
 scattered, not concentrated: SPARSE
 scattered, wasted: DISSIPATED
 schedule or select: SLATE
 scheme or plot: MACHINATE
 scheming person (a derogatory term): JESUIT
 schizophrenia, usually associated with puberty, characterized by unsystematic behavior, exaggerated mannerisms: HEBEPHRENIA
 scholarly, learned: ERUDITE
 scholarly life: ACADEME
 scholarly person: SAVANT
 scholarship displayed in an indiscriminating way: PEDANTRY
 science of bullets, missiles, rockets, etc.: BALLISTICS
 science of soil: AGROLOGY
 science that treats of earth's surface and its physical, political and social characteristics: GEOGRAPHY
 scientific husbandry: AGRONOMY
 scoff: JEER
 scold, censure, reproach: UPBRAID
 scold, rake over the coals, reprove severely: KEELHAUL
 scold, sharp-tongued woman: VIRAGO
 scold severely, upbraid, berate: OBJURGATE
 scolding: ABUSIVE
 scolding, harsh reprimand: RATING
 scolding and abusive woman, shrew: TERMAGANT
 scope: AMBIT
 scope, range, extent: PURVIEW
 scorched, hot: TORRID
 scorched, or colored as if by scorching: USTULATE
 scorn, despise: CONTEMN
 scorn, reject, refuse: SPURN
 scorn or ridicule publicly: PILLORY
 scornful, sneering, cynical: SARDONIC
 scornful rudeness in speech: CONTUMELY
 Scotch whisky and vermouth cocktail: ROY
 Scottish cap with a tight headband and a wide, flat top: TAM-O'SHANTER
 Scottish dish containing animal's insides boiled in its stomach: HAGGIS
 scoundrel: CAITIFF

scowl, look angry or sullen: LOWER
 scowl sullenly: GLOWER
 scrap, do away with: SCUTTLE
 scrap, fragment: SNIPPET
 scrape, paw or scratch: SCRABBLE
 scrape away: ABRADÉ
 scrape or grind harshly, cut, pierce: GRIDE
 scratch, cut: SCOTCH
 scratch, scrape or paw: SCRABBLE
 scream, bawl, cry loudly: SQUALL
 screen behind an altar: REREDOS
 screen or shutter of overlapping horizontal
 slats: JALOUSIE
 screw or nail inserted so that it lies flush
 with or below surface: COUNTERSINK
 scribble: SCRABBLE
 scribble or draw aimlessly: DOODLE
 scribbles or drawings on wall: GRAFFITI
 scruffy, uneven: SCRAGGLY
 scrutinize, examine or read thoroughly:
 PERUSE
 scrutinize, look at closely: SCAN
 sculpture in which figures project slightly:
 BAS-RELIEF
 sculptured basket of fruit: CORBEIL
 scum, froth, foam: SPUME
 sea arm, long and narrow path and be-
 tween high banks: FIORD
 sea-green or yellowish-green color:
 GLAUCOUS
 sea spray: SPINDRIFT
 sea with numerous islands: ARCHIPELAGO
 seal or plug edges or crevices: CAULK
 seal rings, as a subject of study:
 SPHRAGISTICS
 seamen's short coat of heavy woolen fab-
 ric: PEA JACKET
 sear: CAUTERIZE
 search, pursuit, adventure: QUEST
 search, scour, move rapidly: SKIRR
 search for food or supplies: FORAGE
 search for gold in abandoned mines: FOS-
 SICK
 search for information, investigate: DELVE
 search out by careful investigation: FER-
 RET
 search thoroughly: RANSACK
 search through: ROOT
 search through refuse, as for food: SCAV-
 ENGE
 seas, lakes, rivers, etc., studied to deter-
 mine their use for navigation: HY-
 DROGRAPHY
 season of warm, hazy weather in late au-
 tumn: INDIAN SUMMER

seat behind the saddle on a horse or mo-
 torcycle: PILLION
 seat for riders on an elephant or a camel:
 HOWDAH
 seat or small stool, usually without arms
 or back: TABORET
 seat or step in a series that rises: GRADIN
 seated a great part of the time, settled,
 inactive: SEDENTARY
 seaward current of water beneath the sur-
 face: UNDERCURRENT
 seaweed or other marine vegetation cast
 ashore: WRACK
 secluded: CLOISTRAL
 secluded: SEQUESTERED
 secluded, solitary person: RECLUSE
 secluded garden for quiet pleasure:
 PLEASANCE
 secluded or inactive for a period, espe-
 cially winter: HIBERNATING
 second experience imagined when it is ac-
 tually only the first: DÉJÀ VU
 second marriage: DEUTEROGAMY
 second marriage: DIGAMY
 second seat on a motorcycle: PILLION
 second self: ALTER EGO
 second sight: CLAIRVOYANCE
 secondary, casual, minor: INCIDENTAL
 secondary phenomenon occurring with an-
 other but having no power to produce
 effects: EPIPHENOMENON
 secret, abstruse, unknown except by an
 inner few: ESOTERIC
 secret, as of a meeting or plan, kept hid-
 den for an illicit purpose: CLANDES-
 TINE
 secret, hidden, puzzling, occult, mystify-
 ing: CRYPTIC
 secret, sheltered: COVERT
 secret agreement, usually to defraud
 someone: COLLUSION
 secret group joined in intrigue: CABAL
 secret jargon, especially of thieves,
 beggars, etc.: CANT
 secret meeting: CONCLAVE
 secret meeting: EXECUTIVE SESSION
 secret meeting, as of lovers: ASSIGNATION
 secret or closed session: IN CAMERA
 secret or hidden: ARCANÉ
 secret or mystic system: CABALA
 secret or private things: PENETRALIA
 secret or unofficial means of relaying in-
 formation, usually from person to
 person: GRAPEVINE
 secretary: AMANUENSIS

secretly: SUB ROSA
 secretly depart, to escape law: ABSCOND
 secretly informed: PRIVY
 section of a city in which a minority lives:
 GHETTO
 secularize: LAICIZE
 securities bought over a period, by the
 dollars' worth rather than by number
 of shares: DOLLAR COST AVERAGING
 securities list: PORTFOLIO
 securities pledged as collateral for a loan:
 HYPOTHECATION
 security, pledge, challenge: GAGE
 security for discharge of an obligation:
 COLLATERAL
 security selling that is not done on the
 floor of a stock exchange: OVER-THE-
 COUNTER
 security that is transferable by delivery:
 NEGOTIABLE
 sedate, steady, sober: STAID
 sedative, sleep-producing medicine:
 OPIATE
 seduce, corrupt, deprave: DEBAUCH
 see (reference in a book): VIDE
 see before: VIDE ANTE
 see below: VIDE INFRA
 seed bearing: SEMINIFEROUS
 seed-bearing part of flowering plants: PIS-
 TIL
 seeing into the future: PRESCIENT
 seeing or knowing: COGNITION
 seeing things that are not visible: CLAIR-
 VOYANCE
 seeming, apparent: OSTENSIBLE
 seemly, proper: DECOROUS
 see-through fabric: DIAPHANOUS
 segment: CANTLE
 seize, capture or secure: CORRAL
 seize, grip tightly, struggle or contend
 with: GRAPPLE
 seize and place in legal custody: IMPOUND
 seize by legal means: SEQUESTER
 seize by violence: WREST
 seize or appropriate: CONFISCATE
 seize or appropriate beforehand: PREEMPT
 seize or stop on the way, prevent from
 reaching the destination: INTERCEPT
 seizure of property in legal proceeding:
 ATTACHMENT
 select, pick out, sort: CULL
 select, schedule: SLATE
 selecting from diverse sources: ECLECTIC
 selections or fragments from literary
 works: ANALECTS

self, the part of the psyche that organizes
 thought and governs action: EGO
 self held to be the only thing really exist-
 ent: SOLIPSISM
 self-assertive, bold, indecent: IMMODEST
 self-assurance: COCKINESS
 self-assurance, composure, serenity: POISE
 self-centered: EGOCENTRIC
 self-confidence: APLOMB
 self-confident, lively, brisk, dashing:
 JAUNTY
 self-confident to an extreme: COCKSURE
 self-contradictory, false or ridiculous
 statement: PARADOX
 self-denial: ABNEGATION
 self-determination: AUTONOMY
 self-evident statement: AXIOM
 self-examination: INTROSPECTION
 self-governing: AUTONOMOUS
 self-important, overdignified, pretentious:
 POMPOUS
 self-important, petulant: HOITY-TOITY
 self-interested person: INTROVERT
 selfish person: EGOIST
 selflessness: ALTRUISM
 self-love: NARCISSISM
 self-mortification: ASCETICISM
 self-protective reaction of an organism:
 DEFENSE MECHANISM
 self-reproach, guilt feeling: REMORSE
 self-satisfaction: COMPLACENCY
 self-satisfied, complacent: SMUG
 self-service meal: BUFFET
 self-supporting, as a country: SUBSTAN-
 TIVE
 self-styled: SOI-DISANT
 sell goods in the street, peddle: HAWK
 sell property for profit: REALIZE
 selling by quiet persuasion rather than
 high pressure tactics: SOFT SELL
 semicircle: HEMICYCLE
 semifluid, sticky, honeylike consistency:
 VISCOUS
 seminar or group of people who study
 together some subject or topic:
 WORKSHOP
 semiskilled worker: BLUE COLLAR
 semitransparent: TRANSLUCENT
 send back to one's own country: REPATRI-
 ATE
 send forth or give off as light or heat:
 EMIT
 send from one place to another: TRANSMIT
 send or order back: REMAND
 senility: CADUCITY

senility: DOTAGE
 senior or eldest member of a group:
 DOYEN
 senseless, absurd: IRRATIONAL
 senseless or foolish talk: DRIVE
 senses as source of pleasure: SENSUOUS
 sensibility, perception: ESTHESIA
 sensible, reasoned: RATIONAL
 sensitive: SUSCEPTIBLE
 sensitivity in extreme to touch, heat, pain,
 etc.: HYPERESTHESIA
 sensitivity to heat and cold: THER-
 MESTHESIA
 sensual, carnal, worldly: FLESHLY
 sensual, especially concerning food: EPI-
 CUREAN
 sensualist: VOLUPTUARY
 sensualist, rake: ROUÉ
 sentence analysis that gives the form,
 function and syntactical relationship
 of its words: PARSE
 sentence in which sense and structure are
 not completed until the end: PERIODIC
 SENTENCE
 sentence in which the main clause appears
 at the beginning and less important
 matter follows: LOOSE SENTENCE
 sentence or word that reads the same
 backward as forward: PALINDROME
 sentence within which one grammatical
 construction changes to another:
 ANACOLUTHON
 sentimental features incorporated in a play
 or story to evoke emotional response:
 HOKUM
 sentimental or emotional, tearfully so:
 MAUDLIN
 sentimentality that is false: MAWKISHNESS
 sentimentality to excess: SCHMALTZ
 sentimentally pensive: LANGUISHING
 sentimentality: BATHOS
 separate, as the good from the bad: WIN-
 NOW
 separate, disconnected: DISCRETE
 separate, mark out boundaries of limits:
 DEMARCATÉ
 separate, part, divide: DISSEVER
 separate, set apart: SEQUESTER
 separate a group into small dissenting fac-
 tions: BALKANIZE
 separate from, break away: DISSOCIATE
 separate into opposing groups or views:
 POLARIZE
 separate into parts: DIFFRACT
 separate into two parts: DICHOTOMIZE

separate or break up into parts, analyze:
 RESOLVE
 separated, set apart: ISOLATED
 sepulchral: FERAL
 sequence in logic or grammar: CONSECU-
 TION
 serene, calm, quiet: TRANQUIL
 serene, calm, unmoved: IMPASSIVE
 series, succession: CONSECUTION
 series of reactions or events in which re-
 sults become causes: CHAIN REAC-
 TION
 serious, reflective, often melancholy:
 PENSIVE
 sermon, especially one based on a biblical
 text: HOMILY
 sermon writing and delivery, as a study:
 HOMILETICS
 sermonize, lecture: PRELECT
 serpent, reputed to be hatched from a
 cock's egg: COCKATRICE
 serpent in the headdress of Egyptian
 kings: URAEUS
 servant: RETAINER
 servant or assistant as of a magician or
 scholar: FAMULUS
 servant or low person: MENIAL
 servile, compliant, slavish: SEQUACIOUS
 servile, fawning follower: MINION
 servile, fawning person: TOADY
 servile, obsequious: SUBSERVIENT
 servile, overly obedient, fawning: OB-
 SEQUIOUS
 servile follower, toady: LACKEY
 servile or lickspittle attitude: KOWTOW
 servilely flatter: ADULATE
 serving or portion: DOLLOP
 servitude, slavery: THRALLDOM
 set, surroundings, environment, as of a
 play: MISE EN SCÈNE
 set apart, separate: SEQUESTER
 set aside, as money for a special purpose:
 EARMARK
 set here and there, scatter among other
 things: INTERPERSE
 set in from the margin as the first line of a
 paragraph: INDENT
 set of concurrent symptoms indicating a
 specific disease or condition: SYN-
 DROME
 set speech or recitation: DECLAMATION
 set straight, undeceive: DISABUSE
 set up, establish: INSTITUTE
 settle one's debts: LIQUIDATE
 settlement of a dispute that is advanced by

- friendly intervention of a conciliator: MEDIATION
- settlement of a dispute by the decision of a person or body chosen with the consent of both sides: ARBITRATION
- settler on public or unoccupied land without permission: SQUATTER
- seven, or seven things: HEPTAD
- seven days, a week: HEBDOMAD
- sevenfold: SEPTUPLE
- seventh year, in ancient Jewish system: SABBATICAL YEAR
- seven-year recurrences: SEPTENNIAL
- several, various: DIVERS
- severance of relations: RUPTURE
- severe, allowing no letup: EXACTING
- severe, rigid: STRINGENT
- severe, stormy: INCLEMENT
- severe, strict, grim: STARK
- sew loosely: BASTE
- sewage: SULLAGE
- sewer: KENNEL
- sewing together of the edges of a wound in a surgical operation: SUTURE
- sex bias against females: SEXISM
- sex differentiation absent, as in clothes, hair styles, etc.: UNISEX
- sex glands in the male: TESTICLES
- sexless: ANAPHRODISIA
- sexless, asexual: NEUTER
- sexless, effeminate: EPICENE
- sexual, cheap: RAUNCHY
- sexual abstinence: CELIBACY
- sexual activity involving licking of female genitals: CUNNILINGUS
- sexual activity involving licking of male genitals: FELLATIO
- sexual characteristics of both sexes: ANDROGYNOUS
- sexual climax in intercourse: ORGASM
- sexual coupling: INTERCOURSE
- sexual desire for a member of the same sex: HOMOEROTICISM
- sexual desire in women that is uncontrollable: NYMPHOMANIA
- sexual desire lacking: ANAPHRODISIS
- sexual desire or impulse: LIBIDO
- sexual desire or lust: CONCUPISCENCE
- sexual desire reducer: ANTAPHRODISIAC
- sexual desire that is abnormally strong: EROTOMANIA
- sexual frenzy in a male elephant: MUST
- sexual go-between: PANDER
- sexual intercourse: COITUS
- sexual intercourse: CONGRESS
- sexual intercourse: COPULATION
- sexual intercourse between persons so closely related that marriage is forbidden them: INCEST
- sexual intercourse forced on a woman: RAPE
- sexual intercourse that is illegal: FORNICATION
- sexual organ of male animals: PENIS
- sexual organs: GENITALS
- sexual organs of female animals: VULVA, CLITORIS
- sexual pervert, or to turn away from straight course: DEVIATE
- sexual pleasure resulting from pain: ALGOLAGNIA
- sexual potency of a man: VIRILITY
- sexual practices between males, especially between men and boys: PEDERASTY
- sexual restraint; moderation: CONTINENCE
- sexual stimulant: APHRODISIAC
- sexually abandoned, lewd: LICENTIOUS
- sexually arousing: EROGENOUS
- sexual arousing, pertaining to the body: SENSUAL
- sexually attracted to persons of the opposite sex: HETEROSEXUAL
- sexually capable at this period: PUBERTY
- sexually desirous regarding those of the same sex: HOMOSEXUAL
- sexually preoccupied: CARNAL
- sexually stimulating: EROTIC
- sexually stimulating object that in itself is not erotic, such as a shoe: FETISH
- sexually unrestrained: INCONTINENT
- sexually wanton man: SATYR
- shabby, decayed, neglected: DILAPIDATED
- shabby, decrepit: FLEA-BITTEN
- shabby, dirty: DISREPUTABLE
- shabby, drab: DOWDY
- shackle, handcuff, fetter: MANACLE
- shading, as in a picture, done with crossed lines: CROSSHATCH
- shading with close parallel or crossed lines: HATCH
- shadow pantomime in miniature: GALANTY SHOW
- shadow that does not completely cut off light: PENUMBRA
- shadows falling to north or south depending on season: AMPHISCANS
- shady: ADUMBRAL
- shady or providing shade: UMBRAGEOUS
- shake slightly: JOGGLE
- shake suddenly or forcibly: SUCCUSS

shake up, elbow, push or crowd roughly,
shove: JOSTLE
shake up and down, bounce, jolt: JOUNCE
shaking or shivering motion: TREMOR
shaky, loose: RAMSHACKLE
shallow, cursory, limited to the surface:
SUPERFICIAL
sham: SIMULACRUM
sham, deceptive, pretended: FEIGNED
shameful: IGNOMINIOUS
shameful: OPPROBRIOUS
shameless: BRAZEN
shamelessness: IMPUDICITY
shank, part of leg between knee and ankle:
CRUS
shape, outline, form: FIGURATION
shape distortion: ANAMORPHISM
shape or design that doesn't adhere to any
rigid pattern: FREE-FORM
shapeless: AMORPHOUS
shapely buttocks: CALLIPYGIAN
share, portion, half: MOIETY
sharer of secrets: CONFIDANT
sharing the sensations of another as if one
were participating in the action: VI-
CARIOUS
sharp: ACERB
sharp: ACUATE
sharp, abrupt emphasis: STACCATO
sharp, keen, cutting, biting: INCISIVE
sharp answer or reply: RETORT
sharp but pleasant tasting, tart: PIQUANT
sharp taste, manner, speech, nature: ACRID
sharp tasting or smelling: PUNGENT
sharp-edged and pointed: CULTRATE
sharpen, as a razor, on a hone: HONE
sharpen, excite, stimulate: WHET
sharply affecting the mind: PUNGENT
sharp-tongued woman, a scold: VIRAGO
shatter, splinter into fragments: SHIVER
shattering effect of an explosion: BRI-
SANCE
shave or pare the surface, as leather: SKIVE
shaving of the crown of the head: TON-
SURE
shed, get rid of: SLOUGH
shedding, or falling off, as of petals,
leaves, fruit: DECIDUOUS
sheep or goat newly born: YEANLING
sheeplike: OVINE
sheepskin coat worn by Spanish shep-
herds: ZAMARRA
sheer or transparent: DIAPHANOUS
sheet carrying advertising or propaganda:
BROADSIDE

sheet folded once and forming four pages:
FOLIO
shelf above a fireplace: MANTEL
shelf above the back of an altar to hold or-
naments, candles, lights: RETABLE
shelf for holding small ornamental items:
WHATNOT
shell, pod or husk: SHUCK
shell containing baked minced food:
COQUILLE
shell lined with mother-of-pearl: ABALONE
shell study: CONCHOLOGY
shelter or disguise: COVERTURE
sheltered, secret or concealed: COVERT
sheriff's office, term or jurisdiction:
SHRIEVALTY
shield division in heraldry: CANTON
shield-shaped: SCUTIFORM
shield-shaped surface with armorial bear-
ings: ESCUTCHEON
shift position or direction: VEER
shifting of a disease from one part of the
body to another: METASTASIS
shifty, elusive: LUBRICOUS
shinbone: TIBIA
shingle knife: FROE
shining: IRRADIANT
shining, illustrious: SPLENDENT
shining back, reflecting light, bright: RE-
LUCENT
shining with brilliance, dazzling, vividly
bright: RESPLENDENT
ship opening in floor or deck giving access
to area beneath: HATCH
ship portion above the main deck: TOPSIDE
ship so far away that the hull is hidden
below the horizon: HULL DOWN
ship space where cargo is stored: HOLD
ship that is large: ARGOSY
ship with two or more masts, rigged fore
and aft: SCHOONER
shipboard drinking fountain: SCUTTLE-
BUTT
ship's backbone: KEEL
ship's kitchen: GALLEY
ship's left side as one faces forward: PORT
ship's length: FORE AND AFT
ship's officer ranking next below the cap-
tain: FIRST MATE
ship's or plane's position checked by radio
signals from known stations: LORAN
ship's or plane's right-hand side as one
faces forward: STARBOARD
ship's permission to enter port: PRATIQUE
ship's sailing close to the wind: LUFF

- ship's small boat: JOLLY BOAT
 ship's upper front part: FORECASTLE
 shivering or shaking motion: TREMOR
 shock to the body or system, caused by an injury: TRAUMA
 shocked or nauseated easily, prudish: SQUEAMISH
 shocking, vivid, sensational: LURID
 shoddy, poorly made, cheap: SLEAZY
 shoe that is heavy and coarse: BROGAN
 shoe's upper front part: VAMP
 shoot (a liquid) in by mechanical or physical means: INJECT
 shoot from a hiding place: SNIPE
 shoot out copiously, as a liquid: SPOUT
 shop that has long hours, insufficient pay, and poor conditions: SWEAT SHOP
 shop that is small and fashionable: BOUTIQUE
 shore or beach: STRAND
 shore or coastal region: LITTORAL
 shore uncovered by low tide: FORESHORE
 short distance: STONE'S THROW
 short fingers or toes: BRACHYDACTYLIC
 short of breath: PURSY
 shortage, scarcity: PAUCITY
 shorten: ABBREVIATE
 shorten: ABRIDGE
 shortened: ELLIPTIC
 shortened: TRUNCATED
 shortening of a syllable that is naturally or by position long: SYSTOLE
 shorthand, especially in ancient times: TACHYGRAPHY
 short-lived, of short duration: TRANSIENT
 short-lived, transitory, fleeting: EPHEMERAL
 short takeoff and landing plane: STOL
 shoulder bag, especially as used by soldiers: MUSETTE BAG
 shoulder ornament, especially on the uniforms of military and naval officers: EPAULET
 shout, bawl, exclaim loudly: VOCIFERATE
 shout, violent denunciation: FULMINATE
 shove, shake up, elbow, push or crowd roughly: JOSTLE
 show clearly, manifest, demonstrate convincingly: EVINCE
 show consisting of skits, songs, and dances: REVUE
 showcase of glass, for displaying art objects: VITRINE
 shower, scatter, sprinkle: SPARGE
 showiness: OSTENTATION
 showoff tendency: EXHIBITIONISM
 showy, bombastic, florid: FLAMBOYANT
 showy, excessively ornamented: ORNATE
 showy, useless ornaments: FURBELOWS
 showy and cheap: TAWDRY
 showy but valueless: TRUMPERY
 showy but without substance: SPECIOUS
 shrew: VIXEN
 shrew: XANTHIPPE
 shrew, scolding and abusive woman: TERMAGANT
 shrewd, practical, obstinate: HARD-HEADED
 shrewd, wise: SAGACIOUS
 shrewish old woman: GRIMALKIN
 shrill, grating: STRIDENT
 shrink or crouch in servility: CRINGE
 shriveled, shrunken, withered: WIZENED
 shrubs or trees cut and arranged in fantastic shapes: TOPIARY
 shrunken, withered, shriveled: WIZENED
 shuffle cards by bending up corners of two parts of the pack and letting cards slip together: RIFFLE
 shun as unworthy: ESCHREW
 shut, block or close off: OCCLUDE
 shut one's eyes to wrongdoing: CONNIVE
 shut out, exclude: OSTRACIZE
 shut out, exclude, render impossible: PRECLUDE
 shutter or screen of overlapping horizontal slats: JALOUSIE
 shy, inept person (Yiddish): NEBBISH
 shy, jumpy: SKITTISH
 shy, meek, apologetic person: MILQUE-TOAST
 shyly embarrassed: SHEEPISH
 shyness: DIFFIDENCE
 shyness, timidity, lack of confidence in self: DIFFIDENCE
 sick: NAUSEATED
 sick-making: NAUSEOUS
 sickening to an extreme: AD NAUSEAM
 sickening or insipid: MAWKISH
 sickle or scythe shaped: FALCATE
 sickness caused by eating or drinking too much: CRAPULENCE
 sickness pretended to avoid work: MALINGER
 side, right or left part of something: FLANK
 side by side: ABREAST
 side by side: CHEEK BY JOWL
 side by side: JUXTAPOSITION

side or sides of a main thing: LATERAL
 side sheltered from the wind: LEEWARD
 side to side: ATHWART
 side to side lurch or twist: CAREEN
 side to side measurement: BREADTH
 side track connecting with the main track
 of a railroad: SPUR TRACK
 sideboard or buffet, usually without legs:
 CREDENZA
 sideburns: BURNSIDES
 sidepiece in a door or window sash: STILE
 sides touching: ABUTTING
 sidewise glance: ASKANCE
 sievelike: CRIBRIFORM
 sift, examine or analyze minutely: WIN-
 NOW
 sift through a coarse sieve: RIDDLE
 sighing sound, as of the wind: SOUGH
 sight loss without organic defect:
 AMAUROSIS
 sight or eye: OCULAR
 sighting land: LANDFALL
 sight marred by specks or threads seeming
 to float before the eyes: MUSCAE
 VOLITANTES
 sign language, deaf-mute alphabet: DAC-
 TYLOLOGY
 sign of a solemn pledge: SACRAMENT
 sign or abbreviation representing a word,
 as the dollar sign: LOGOGRAM
 sign or dedicate a book for presentation:
 INSCRIBE
 sign or mark supposed to exercise occult
 power: SIGIL
 sign or trace of something absent: VESTIGE
 signal for parley, made by drum or trum-
 pet: CHAMADE
 signal for pillage and destruction: CRY
 HAVOC
 signature, especially of a sovereign: SIGN
 MANUAL
 signature appendage, such as a flourish or
 a mark: RUBRIC
 signature ending made with a flourish:
 PARAPH
 signature that authenticates another signa-
 ture: COUNTERSIGNATURE
 silence, subdue utterly, crush: SQUELCH
 signify, hint at: IMPLY
 signify, point out, indicate: DENOTE
 silence, in music: TACET
 silence or feigned ignorance as of a
 wrongdoing: CONNIVANCE
 silencing or putting down, as a rumor:
 QUIETUS

silent, unspoken: TACIT
 silk-screen process used by artist: SERIG-
 RAPHY
 silky: SERICEOUS
 silky, light and fluffy: FLOSSY
 silly, empty talk: TWADDLE
 silly, fickle: FRIVOLOUS
 silly, pointless, empty-headed: INANE
 silly, vain, foppish behavior: COXCOMBRY
 silver or bronze gilt: VERMEIL
 silver or white in armorial bearings (her-
 aldry): ARGENT
 similar: AGNATE
 similar, like, same composition through-
 out, uniform: HOMOGENEOUS
 similar or related in structure, position,
 value: HOMOLOGOUS
 similar thing: ANALOGUE
 similarity in form: HOMOMORPHISM
 similarity in sound: ASSONANCE
 similarity without identity: ANALOGY
 simmer: CODDLE
 simple, candid, artless, unaffected: NAIVE
 simple, frank, innocent, naive, straight-
 forward: INGENUOUS
 simple, rough, plain: RUSTIC
 simple, sincere: UNAFFECTED
 simple, unaffected, in music: SEMPLICE
 simplicity, innocence and peace, por-
 trayed as associated with rural life:
 PASTORAL
 simultaneous: CONCURRENT
 simultaneousness: SYNCHRONISM
 sin, wrongful act, unjust thing or deed:
 INIQUITY
 sincere, candid, artless: GULELESS
 sincere, real: UNAFFECTED
 sinful, at fault: PECCANT
 sinful, obstinate: UNREGENERATE
 sing a tune heartily: TROLL
 sing with trills, as a bird does: WARBLE
 singing leader in church: PRECENTOR
 singing that alternates falsetto and normal
 chest tones: YODEL
 singing that is akin to ordinary speech:
 RECITATIVE
 singing without accompaniment: A CAP-
 PELLA
 single file: INDIAN FILE
 single file, one behind the other: TAN-
 DEM
 single piece of stone, used in architecture
 or sculpture: MONOLITH
 single woman: FEME SOLE
 single word applied to two thoughts, each

- of which gives it a different meaning: SYLLEPSIS
- single word applied to two thoughts, with the linkage to one of them incorrect: ZEUGMA
- single-colored: MONOCHROME
- singled out for special honor because of excellence in one's achievements: LAUREATE
- sink, collapse, fail: FOUNDER
- sink a ship by cutting holes in the bottom of it: SCUTTLE
- sink in mud, bog down: MIRE
- sinuous: ANFRACTUOUS
- sinuous, gliding motion: UNDULATION
- sister killer: SORORICIDE
- sisterhood, female student organization: SORORITY
- sit and hatch eggs, develop: INCUBATE
- six: HEXAD
- six units: SENARY
- sixfold: SEXTUPLICATE
- six-ounce bottle of a beverage: SPLIT
- size or extent: MAGNITUDE
- skeptic: DOUBTING THOMAS
- skeptical, disbelieving: INCREDULOUS
- sketch of a character or a drawing of a side view: PROFILE
- sketchily outline: ADUMBRATE
- skewer for broiling meat: BROCHETTE
- ski down a straight, steep slope: SCHUSS
- skiing cross-country run: LANGLAUF
- skiing jump made from a crouching position: GELÄNDESPRUNG
- skiing over ice or snow in tow of a horse or motor vehicle: SKIJORING
- skiing race over a winding downhill course laid out between posts: SLALOM
- skiing term for a pit in the snow left by a skier who has fallen backward: SITZ-MARK
- skill, ability: PROWESS
- skill, knowledge: EXPERTISE
- skill, style, technical mastery, as of an art: VIRTUOSITY
- skill at a particular thing: KNACK
- skill in avoiding giving offense: TACT
- skill or dexterity in manipulation: SLEIGHT
- skilled craftsman: ARTIFICER
- skillful, adroit: DEXTEROUS
- skillful, inventive, clever: INGENIOUS
- skillful in use of bodily or mental powers: ADROIT
- skillfully done: WORKMANLIKE
- skin, remove impurities from: DESPUMATE
- skim over water, glide: SKITTER
- skin and its diseases, as a study: DERMATOLOGY
- skin disease: ECZEMA
- skin hanging loosely from neck or throat, as on turkeys: WATTLE
- skin markings made by pricking with a needle and inserting indelible colors: TATTOO
- skin's outer layer: EPIDERMIS
- skip or rebound of a projectile after it hits a surface: RICOCHET
- skirt that is full and has a gathered waist: DIRNDL
- skirtlike garment worn by both sexes in the Malay Archipelago: SARONG
- skip about playfully: CAPER
- skip or bounce over water: DAP
- skip or leap about, frolic: GAMBOL
- skull: CRANIUM
- skull conformations as indicating degree of development of mental facilities: PHRENOLOGY
- skull study: CRANIOLOGY
- skullcap worn by Orthodox and Conservative Jewish men: YARMULKE
- skullcap worn by Roman Catholic clergy-men: ZUCCHETTO
- sky, heavens: FIRMAMENT
- slake thirst: QUENCH
- slander: ASPERSE
- slander: CALUMNIATE
- slander, calumny, curse against someone: MALEDICTION
- slander, speak evil of: MALIGN
- slander, mock: TRADUCE
- slander, defame: VILIFY
- slanted, indirect: OBLIQUE
- slanting diagonal: BIAS
- slanting kind of type, usually used for emphasis: ITALIC
- slanting line in printing or writing: VIR-GULE
- slash mark in printing or writing: VIRGULE
- slaughter or massacre: CARNAGE
- slaughterhouse: ABATTOIR
- slaughterhouse: SHAMBLES
- slavery's end in U.S.: ABOLITION
- Slavic alphabet: CYRILLIC
- Slavic folk dance performed by a male and marked by the prisiadka step in which from a squatting position each leg is kicked out alternately: KAZATSKY

slavish, servile, compliant: SEQUACIOUS
 slavish, submissive: SERVILE
 sleep, desire for, which is uncontrollable:
 NARCOLEPSY
 sleep deterrent: AGRYPNOTIC
 sleep producing, narcotic: SOMNIFEROUS
 sleep that is unusually deep: SOPOR
 sleep-inducing medicine, relaxant: OPIATE
 sleep-inducing or soothing sounds or motions: LULL
 sleepiness or yawning: OSCITANCY
 sleeping car on a European railroad:
 WAGON-LIT
 sleeping sickness: ENCEPHALITIS LETH-
 ARGICA
 sleepless period, as in keeping vigil:
 WATCH
 sleeplessness or the chronic inability to
 sleep: INSOMNIA
 sleep-producing: HYPNAGOGIC
 sleep-producing medicine: SOPORIFIC
 sleepwalking, somnambulism: NOC-
 TAMBULATION
 sleepy: SOMNOLENT
 sleepy, drowsy: SOPORIFIC
 sleeveless Arabian garment: ABA
 sleight of hand: PRESTIDIGITATION
 sleight of hand, trickery, hocus-pocus:
 LEGERDEMAIN
 slender, graceful young woman: SYLPH
 slender, slim, willowy: SVELTE
 slender, wandlike, straight: VIRGATE
 slice thinly, as leather: SKIVE
 slide or glide, as a snake: SLITHER
 sliding skillfully down a slope of ice or
 snow as in mountain-climbing: GLIS-
 SADE
 slight, gracefully slender: GRACILE
 slight suggestion, vague idea, notion, hint:
 INKLING
 slighting: DISPARAGING
 slightly, in music: POCO
 slim, tall figure: ASTHENIC
 slim, willowy, slender: SVELTE
 sling for lifting or lowering a heavy ob-
 ject: PARBUCKLE
 slink: SKULK
 slip, error or fault: LAPSE
 slip by, pass away (said of time): ELAPSE
 slip-like undergarment: CHEMISE
 slippery feeling, greasy: UNCTUOUS
 slogan, rallying cry, password: WATCH-
 WORD
 slope, especially a defensive slope in front
 of a fortification: GLACIS

slope, incline, ramp: GRADIENT
 slope, tilt: CANT
 slope linking different levels: RAMP
 slope or inclination of countryside: VER-
 SANT
 slope that is steep: ESCARPMENT
 slope along a plateau's rim: SCARP
 sloping edge: BEVEL
 sloping steeply: DECLIVITOUS
 slouching, awkward movement: LOP
 slovenly in appearance: BLOWZY
 slow, delay, hinder: RETARD
 slow, dignified dance or music for such a
 dance: PAVANE
 slow, straggler falling behind: LAGGARD
 slow down: DECELERATE
 slow movement, as in music: ADAGIO
 slow tempo: LARGO
 sluggish: INERT
 sluggish, dull, inactive: TORPID
 sluggish, lacking in energy: LYMPHATIC
 sluggish, uninterested: STAGNANT
 sluggishness, dullness, apathy: LETHARGY
 slur over in pronunciation: ELIDE
 sly, stealthy: FURTIVE
 sly look: LEER
 sly or indirect intimation, hint: INSINUA-
 TION
 small: PETITE
 small, cramped: INCOMMODIOUS
 small, fashionable shop: BOUTIQUE
 small, insignificant, trifling: MINUTE
 small, scanty, diminutive: EXIGUOUS
 small, stunted, as an imperfectly devel-
 oped fruit or ear of corn: NUBBIN
 small, trifling: NOMINAL
 small, trifling work: OPUSCULE
 small country that depends on a great
 power: SATELLITE
 small decorative object: BIBELOT
 small letters of the alphabet used in print-
 ing: LOWER CASE
 small or insignificant amount: IOTA
 small portable stove: CHAUFFER
 small portion or piece: COLLOP
 small quantity: MODICUM
 small quantity, insufficiency: PAUCITY
 small space, crack: INTERSTICE
 small space between library stacks for pri-
 vate study: CARREL
 small sum of money: PITTANCE
 small to the point of being incalculable,
 microscopic: INFINITESIMAL
 smallness of the head, to an abnormal de-
 gree: MICROCEPHALY

smallness so extreme that a thing cannot
be easily seen: IMPERCEPTIBLE
smallpox: VARIOLA
smartness, style, dash: PIZZAZZ
smelling disagreeably: MALODOROUS
smelling good: ODORIFEROUS
smelling sense: OLFACTORY
smile in a silly, self-satisfied way: SMIRK
smile or smirk self-consciously: SIMPER
smoky or sooty: FULIGINOUS
smooth, flowing, graceful, expressive:
FLUENT
smooth, glossy, well-groomed: SLEEK
smooth or toughen metal: PLANISH
smooth the way, as for a project or piece
of work: EXPEDITE
smooth to an excess, oily-tongued: UNCTUOUS
smoothness, tact, highly refined skill:
FINESSE
smug: SELF-RIGHTEOUS
smug, overexacting person: PRIG
smuggling: CONTRABAND
snake worship: OPHIOLATRY
snakelike, cunning: SERPENTINE
snake-shaped: ANGUIFORM
snap back, resume original shape after
being stretched: RESILE
sneak, coward: DASTARD
sneaking, stealthy: SLINKY
sneaky, degraded, skulking: HANGDOG
sneer, laugh coarsely, jeer, deride: FLEER
sneering, ironical, taunting language:
SARCASM
sneering, scornful, cynical: SARDONIC
sneeze or noise produced by it: STERNUTATION
sneeze-producing substance, snuff: ERRHINE
sniff, smell: SNUFF
snobbish person: BRAHMIN
snoring sound: STERTOROUS
snow that is coarse and granular: CORNSNOW
snowy: NIVEOUS
snub: REBUFF
snub or deliberate slight: COLD SHOULDER
snuggle for comfort, cuddle: NESTLE
so much the better: TANT MIEUX
so much the worse: TANT PIS
soak in a liquid: STEEP
soapy: SAPONACEOUS
sober, sedate, steady: STAID
soccer ball as it is moved by successive
kicks: DRIBBLE

sociable: CONVIVIAL
sociable, associating habitually with others: GREGARIOUS
social only, meaningless, as applied to talk: PHATIC
social meal based on early Christian love feast: AGAPE
social status lowered: DÉCLASSÉ
society containing mixture of ethnic, racial, religious, or cultural groups: PLURALISM
Socratic method: MAIEUTIC
sodomy, sexual relations between males: PEDERASTY
sofa or bench with high back: SETTEE
sofa or couch with low cushioned seat and with arm rests or back: DIVAN
soft, rich, as certain soils: UNCTUOUS
soft spot, vulnerable point: ACHILLES' HEEL
soften, regulate, adjust or temper: MODULATE
soften by soaking in liquid: MACERATE
soften in temper, yield: RELENT
softening: MOLLESCENT
softening, soothing, relaxing especially to the skin: EMOLLIENT
softening colors or lines in a painting or drawing: SCUMBLE
softly performed in music: PIANISSIMO
soil, besmirch, defile: SULLY
soil, discolor: SMIRCH
soil deposited by water: ALLUVIUM
soil rather than climate as an affective factor: EDAPHIC
soil science: AGROLOGY
soil study: PEDOLOGY
soiled or untidy: BEDRAGGLED
soils that are soft and rich: UNCTUOUS
solar or sun: HELIACAL
soldier doing extra duty work for an officer: STRIKER
sole of the foot, palm of the hand: VOLAR
solemn declaration: ASSEVERATION
solicit for sexual purpose: ACCOST
solicit votes by going about a region: CANVASS
solid, forthright, firm: FOURSQUARE
solid, packed with meaning, terse: PITHY
solid earth: TERRA FIRMA
solidifying: CONCRETION
solitary, secluded person: RECLUSE
solo melody in opera: ARIA
solution, usually in alcohol, of a substance, used in medicine: TINCTURE

solution or final unraveling in a plot: DE-
NOUEMENT
solve a complicated problem: CUT THE
GORDIAN KNOT
something in return for something else:
QUID PRO QUO
song, often contrapuntal: MADRIGAL
song for several male voices with no ac-
companiment: GLEE
song of triumph or joy: PAEAN
song of unhappy love: TORCH SONG
song performed by a lover under his
sweetheart's window: SERENADE
song that is short and simple: DITTY
songlike: ARIOSE
sonorous: ROTUND
soothe, pacify: SALVE
soothe, put to sleep or calm through
soothing sounds or motions: LULL
soothe, quiet down, mitigate, pacify:
MOLLIFY
soothing: LENITIVE
soothing, melodious, pleasant: DULCET
soothing, relieving irritation: DEMUL-
CENT
soothing, softening or relaxing, especially
to the skin: EMOLLIENT
soothing agent: ABIRRITANT
soothing pain reliever: ANODYNE
soporific, sleep producing: SOMNIFEROUS
sorceress, fortuneteller: SIBYL
sorcery: DIABLERIE
sorcery, fortune telling, black magic: NEC-
ROMANCY
sorcery or witchcraft practiced in the
South, Africa and West Indies:
OBEAH, OBI
sordid, low: GROVELING
sordid or worst aspect of something:
SEAMY SIDE
sore, inflamed: IRRITATED
sorrow, sympathy-evoking: PATHOS
sorrow or grief, to cause: AGGRIEVE
sorrowful, mournful: PLAINTIVE
sorrowful, mournful: WOEBOGONE
sort, class, kind: ILK
sort out, pick, select: CULL
sorting of casualties to fix priorities for
treatment: TRIAGE
soul: ANIMA
soul, spirit: PNEUMA
sound, pertaining to: ACOUSTIC
sound and scene reproduction: AUDIOVIS-
UAL
sound imitated by a word: ECHOIC

sound in speech involving chiefly lips,
teeth or tongue: CONSONANT
sound like cat's cries at rutting time: CAT-
ERWAUL
sound of sighing or murmuring, as made
by the wind: SOUGH
sound or letter inserted into a word:
EPENTHESIS
sound or vibration caused by the hitting of
one body against another: PERCUS-
SION
sound producing or conducting: SONIF-
EROUS
sound reproduction: AUDIO
sound reproduction using two or more
loudspeakers: STEREOPHONIC
sound with a plumb to test the depth of
water: PLUMB
soundproof: ANACOUSTIC
sound-reflecting structure: SOUNDING
BOARD
sound-related: SONIC
sounds in opposition in music: ANTI-
PHONY
sounds of speech, as a study: PHONETICS
sounds or tones in multiplicity: POLY-
PHONIC
sounds repeated at the beginnings of
words or in accented syllables: ALLIT-
ERATION
sound-track change from original language
to another: DUBBING
sound-transmitting apparatus used under
water: SONAR
sound-wave or light-wave change that
seems to accompany change in dis-
tance between source and observer:
DOPPLER EFFECT
soup, thick and creamy: BISQUE
soup that is clear: CONSOMMÉ
soup ingredients of dough casings filled
with ground meat: KREPLACH
soup made with strained vegetables or a
dish containing such vegetables or
fruit: PURÉE
soup of cream and potatoes usually served
cold: VICHYSOISE
sour: ACERB
sour, fermented cabbage in shredded
form: SAUERKRAUT
sour, spoiled-smelling: RANCID
sour juice of green fruit: VERJUICE
source: SPRINGHEAD
source of something: PROVENIENCE
source or forefather: PROGENITOR

- source or potential for development: SEMINAL
- souring: ACESCENT
- sourness or sharpness of disposition: VERJUICE
- South African grassland: VELDT
- South African racial segregation: APARTHEID
- South African speech, based on Dutch: AFRIKAANS
- souvenir: MEMENTO
- sovereign control over a locally autonomous region: SUZERAINTY
- sovereigns or rulers in one line of descent reigning in succession: DYNASTY
- Soviet Union collective farm: KOLKHOZ
- Soviet Union's equivalent of a Cabinet: PRESIDIUM
- space for freedom of action, latitude: LEEWAY
- space from which something is missing or has been omitted: LACUNA
- space near the altar of a church: CHANCEL
- spacecraft landing on water: SPLASHDOWN
- spadeline tool for removing the roots of weeds: SPUD
- spangle or small metal disk: PAILLETTE
- Spanish American, West Indian or Gulf State inhabitant of European descent: CREOLE
- Spanish dialect with Hebrew elements: LADINO
- Spanish diacritical mark, as over the n in señor: TILDE
- Spanish for good day: BUENOS DIAS
- Spanish for thank you: GRACIAS
- sparing in eating and drinking: ABSTEMIOUS
- spark, trace: SCINTILLA
- sparkle, gaiety, vivacity, lively spirits: EFFERVESCENCE
- sparkle, glitter, flash: SCINTILLATE
- sparkle, glitter, shine: CORUSCATE
- sparkle in intellect or action: SCINTILLATE
- sparkling object: SPANGLE
- spasm in a muscle: CLONUS
- spasms of pain: THROES
- spasm of the muscle: HYPERKINESIA
- spat or trivial quarrel: TIFF
- spatter, shower, pelt: PEPPER
- speak at great length: PERORATE
- speak dogmatically: PONTIFICATE
- speak loudly or rhetorically: DECLAIM
- speak or write more fully, elaborate: EXPATiate
- speak violently, rave: RANT
- speak with clarity and exactness: ENUNCIATE
- speaker who influences audience by his eloquence: SPELLBINDER
- speaker's stand on which books or notes may be placed: LECTERN
- speaking fluently, glib, talkative: VOLUBLE
- speaking impairment, or difficulty in understanding speech: DYSPHASIA
- speaking in a bombastic or pompous style: GRANDILOQUENT
- speaking or writing with ease: FLUENT
- speaking style, language, idiom: PARLANCE
- speaking trick that makes the voice seem to come from source other than the speaker: VENTRILOQUISM
- special application, not general: AD HOC
- specialty or strong point of a person: FORTE
- specific purpose and specific situation committee: AD HOC COMMITTEE
- specify: STIPULATE
- specify exactly: CONCRETIZE
- speck or particle: MOTE
- speckled or spotted as if by drops: GUTTATE
- specks or threads appearing to float before the eyes: MUSCAE VOLITANTES
- spectacular exhibition or parade: PAGEANT
- spectacular theater production: EXTRAVAGANZA
- spectator who gives unwanted advice to card players: KIBITZER
- speculative: ACADEMIC
- spectra, imaginary appearance: PHANTASM
- speech constituting a bitter verbal oath: PHILIPPIC
- speech delivered simply to obstruct action: FILIBUSTER
- speech given at a formal event: ORATION
- speech manner: LOCUTION
- speech mechanism positions represented by phonetic symbols: VISIBLE SPEECH
- speech of fiery denunciation: TIRADE
- speech or essay that is highly emotional: DITHYRAMB
- speech or sales talk: SPIEL
- speech pattern: INTONATION
- speech peculiar to a locality or group: DIALECT
- speech sound involving chiefly lips, teeth or tongue: CONSONANT

speech sound that is the smallest unit of its kind and distinctive from others:

PHONEME

speech sounds, as a study: PHONETICS

speech that is bombastic or flowery:

RHETORIC

speech that is glib and swift: PATTERN

speech that is lengthy, loud and vehement:

HARANGUE

speech that is long and tiresome: SCREED

speech that is short and witty or satirical:

SQUIB

speechlike sounds that are unintelligible:

GLOSSOLALIA

speed: VELOCITY

speed, full speed: CAREEN

speed, promptness: DISPATCH

speed rate in music: TEMPO

speed that is dangerous: BREAKNECK

speed up, quicken, facilitate: EXPEDITE

spelling in which a letter represents different sounds in different words:

HETEROGRAPHY

spelling or handwriting that is bad:

CACOGRAPHY

spelling that conforms to accepted usage:

ORTHOGRAPHY

spelling that varies from accepted standard usage: HETEROGRAPHY

spend wastefully, squander: DISSIPATE

spending or giving generously: LAVISH

spending to impress: CONSPICUOUS CONSUMPTION

spendthrift: WASTREL

sperm duct removal: VASECTOMY

sphere of action: AMBIT

sphere of authority: BAILIWICK

spherical, rounded: ORBICULAR

sphinxlike in having human head and animal body: ANDROCEPHALOUS

spiked wheel at the end of a spur: ROWEL

spinal column creatures: VERTEBRATES

spindle-shaped: FUSIFORM

spineless: INVERTEBRATE

spinning, whirling, dizzy: VERTIGINOUS

spinning like a top, or top-shaped: TURBINATE

spiral: HELIX

spiral coil: HELICOID

spirally curling, rolled up: VOLUTE

spire: FLÛCHE

spirit, soul: PNEUMA

spirit, wit: ESPRIT

spirit ancestors, among Pueblo Indians: KACHINA

spirit regarded as distinct from matter:

ANIMISM

spirited, vital, joyful, vigorous: EXUBERANT

spiritless, not alive: INANIMATE

spiritlessness, weakness, fatigue, dreaminess, dullness, stagnation: LANGUOR

spirits or health: FETTER

spiritual, insubstantial, nonmaterial: INCORPOREAL

spiritual, light, airy: ETHEREAL

spiritual sloth: ACEDIA

spiritual teacher or guide: GURU

spit: EXPECTORATE

spit or skewer used in broiling, usually small: BROCHETTE

spiteful, deliberately mischievous: MALICIOUS

spiteful, revengeful: VINDICTIVE

spitefulness, enmity: RANCOR

spitefulness, peevishness, ill temper: SPLEEN

splash, flounder: SLOSH

splashing or sucking noise, as when one walks in deep mud: SQUELCH

splendor, brilliance, radiance: EFFULGENCE

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splinter: SLIVER

splinter into fragments, shatter: SHIVER

splinters: FLINDERS

split into factions in a church or other organization: SCHISM

split or cut into long thin pieces: SLIVER

splitting, cutting: SCISSION

splitting or breaking apart: FISSION

spoil, impair: VITIATE

spoil by indulgence: COCKER

spoil someone, pamper or pet: COSSET

spoiled-smelling: RANCID

spoiling for a fight: PUGNACIOUS

spoils, booty: PILLAGE

spoken, oral: VIVA VOCE

spoken error thought to disclose a person's true thinking: FREUDIAN SLIP

spoken in an undertone, privately: SOTTO VOCE

spoken statement of a false or defamatory nature: SLANDER

spokesman: PROLOCUTOR

sponsor: AEGIS

sponsorship, support: PATRONAGE

spontaneous, unprepared: IMPROMPTU

spontaneous talk by a patient in psychoanalysis: FREE ASSOCIATION

- sports, a player in the front line of attack or defense: FORWARD
- sports feat that is highly unusual: HAT TRICK
- sports term for an extra period in a tied game during which the first side to score wins: SUDDEN DEATH
- spot, streak, blotch: MOTTLE
- spot or blemish, blurred impression in printing: MACKLE
- spotted, especially in white and black: PIEBALD
- spotted horse or pony: PINTO
- spotted or speckled as if by drops: GUT-TATE
- spotted or variegated: DAPPLED
- spotting on animals or plants: MACULA-TION
- spouse: CONSORT
- spouse murder: MARITICIDE
- spread, as information: DISSEMINATE
- spread, pour or send out in all directions: DIFFUSE
- spread, publicize, disseminate: PROPAGATE
- spread about loosely for drying, as mown hay: TED
- spread apart or branch out at a wide angle, diverge: DIVARICATE
- spread false charges: ASPERSE
- spread in all directions, circulate: DIFFUSE
- spread or branch out, diverge: DIVARICATE
- spread out, extend: SPLAY
- spread out into divisions, divide: RAMIFY
- spread the word far and wide: DISSEMINATE
- spread thinly: SPARSE
- spread through: PERVADE
- spread through completely, penetrate: PERMEATE
- spreading of a disease from one part of the body to another: METASTASIS
- spree, fling, prank, reckless behavior: ESCAPADE
- spring back, snap back, recoil, resume original shape after being stretched: RESILE
- springlike, youthful, fresh: VERNAL
- sprinkle: ASPERSE
- sprinkle, shower, scatter: SPARGE
- sprinkle, suffuse or cover with a liquid or color: PERFUSE
- sprout, breed rapidly, swarm: PULLULATE
- sprout, proliferate: BURGEON
- spur into action, urge on, stir up: INCITE
- spur of the moment, offhand: IMPROMPTU
- spur on, goad, incite, foment, provoke to some drastic action: INSTIGATE
- spurious: APOCRYPHAL
- spurt or gush of liquid from a narrow orifice: JET
- spy who infiltrates opposing espionage system to betray it: DOUBLE AGENT
- squabble, heated argument: HASSLE
- squall, brief windstorm: FLAW
- squander, spend wastefully: DISSIPATE
- squander or deal recklessly with: PLAY DUCKS AND DRAKES WITH
- square dance of a rollicking kind: HOE-DOWN
- square dancing term for a change of step or figure: CALL
- square surrounded by buildings: PIAZZA
- squatting Slavic dance step in which a man kicks out each leg alternately: PRISIADKA
- squeamish: QUEASY
- squint: SKEW
- squirm in agony: WRITHE
- squirt, gush forth: SPURT
- stab, pierce or tear painfully: LANCINATE
- stable adjunct, enclosure for exercising horses: PADDOCK
- stage curtain that can be raised and lowered: DROP CURTAIN
- stage fabric, light and sheer, used as a backdrop: SCRIM
- stage front: DOWNSTAGE
- stage of a theater including its arch: PROSCENIUM
- stage performer without speaking part, as in a mob scene: SUPERNUMERARY
- stage scenery, flat, on side of stage: COULISSE
- stage surrounded by seats: ARENA THEATER
- stagnation, weakness, fatigue, dreaminess, dullness, spiritlessness: LANGUOR
- stain or drench especially with blood: IMBUE
- stale joke: CHESTNUT
- stall for time: TEMPORIZE
- stamp collecting: PHILATELY
- stamp out, stifle: SCOTCH
- stamped or hammered, as the figure or design on a coin: INCUSE
- stand on the hind legs and stretch out the forelegs: RAMP

stand on which a speaker may place notes or books: LECTERN
 stand with shelves, usually ornamental: ÉTAGÈRE
 standard of quality: BENCH MARK
 standard or criterion for testing the qualities of something: TOUCHSTONE
 standard or rule by which a judgment can be made: CRITERION
 standards of polite society: THE PROPRIETIES
 standing out, striking, conspicuous: SALIENT
 standstill because of disagreement by two forces: DEADLOCK
 star grouping: GALAXY
 star mapping: URANOGRAPHY
 star that suddenly becomes brilliant then fades: NOVA
 star with six points and composed of two equilateral triangles: STAR OF DAVID
 star used as guide in navigation; guiding principle or example: LODESTAR
 stare at, make eyes at suggestively: OGLE
 stare stupidly, gape: GAWK
 stare with an angry frown: GLOWER
 staring eyes, as in a fish: WALLEYED
 starlike symbol in printing (*): ASTERISK
 starlike very distant object that emits strong radio waves: QUASAR
 stars, of and pertaining to: SIDEREAL
 star's rising and setting, said of: ACRONICAL
 star-shaped: ASTEROID
 star-shaped, radiating: STELLATE
 start, beginning: INCEPTION
 start a discussion: BROACH
 start of something: CONCEPTION
 starting existence, newly conceived: NASCENT
 starting point: JUMPING-OFF PLACE
 startle, thrill, arouse: ELECTRIFY
 state, declare, detail: EXPOUND
 state or affirm something on basis of known facts or conditions: PREDICATE
 state positively: ASSEVERATE
 stately, impressive, grand: IMPOSING
 stately beauty: JUNOESQUE
 stately passage or movement of music: MAESTOSO
 statement that decides the matter: CLINCHER
 state's right to take over private property for public use: EMINENT DOMAIN
 stationary, resting: STATIC

statistician dealing with vital statistics, as of births, deaths, disease: DEMOGRAPHER
 status of holding one's position on an enduring basis: TENURE
 statute, especially of a municipal body: ORDINANCE
 staunch, brave: YEOMANLY
 staves ready for assembling into barrels or boxes: SHOOK
 stay or dwell temporarily: SOJOURN
 steadfast, brave: UNFLINCHING
 steadfast, firmly directed, unwavering: INTENT
 steadily at work, diligent: SEDULOUS
 steady, sober, sedate: STAID
 steady stream, as of people or things: INFUX
 steal: PURLOIN
 steal, take by fraud: EMBEZZLE
 steal funds, especially public funds, embezzle: PECULATE
 steal in a petty way: PILFER
 steal slyly in small amounts: FILCH
 stealthily approach game: STALK
 stealthily move about: SKULK
 stealthy, sly: FURTIVE
 stealthy, sneaking: SLINKY
 steam-bath room: SAUNA
 steam-whistle organ: CALLIOPE
 steep: PRECIPITOUS
 steep downward slope: DECLIVITY
 steep slope: ESCARPMENT
 steep slope: SCARP
 steering instrument: RUDDER
 stench: MEPHITIS
 stencil process that forces ink through open meshes of a silk screen: SILK-SCREEN PROCESS
 steps at the entrance to a house: STOOP
 step recorder to measure walking distance: PEDOMETER
 sterile, barren, fruitless: INFECUND
 stern, gloomy, morose, ill-tempered: DOUR
 stern, rear, toward the stern on a boat: ABAFT
 stern, toward the stern on a boat: AFT
 stew of meat and vegetables well seasoned: RAGOUT
 stick for stirring drinks: MUDDLER
 sticking together: COHERENT
 sticky, adhesive: VISCID
 sticky, honeylike, semifluid: VISCOUS
 stifle, stamp out, suppress: SCOTCH

- stigmatize: BRAND
 still, placid: QUIESCENT
 stimulate, enliven, arouse: QUICKEN
 stimulate, excite, raise the spirits of:
 ELATE
 stimulate, excite, rouse to action:
 GALVANIZE
 stimulate, push or touch with a slight jar,
 shake lightly: JOG
 stimulate, sharpen, excite: WHET
 stimulating, arousing: PROVOCATIVE
 stimulating, racy: PIQUANT
 stimulus, incentive: FILLIP
 stimulus that hastens a result: CATALYST
 stimulus to action: INCENTIVE
 stinginess: PARSIMONY
 stingy, also poor: PENURIOUS
 stingy, scanty: NIGGARDLY
 stingy or mean practice: CHEESE-PARING
 stinking: MALODOROUS
 stinking, offensive, disgusting, noxious:
 NOISOME
 stinking or foul odor: FETID
 stipulation or condition: PROVISIO
 stir or cut up the surface, as of topsoil:
 SCARIFY
 stir up, instigate, incite: FOMENT
 stir up, spur into action, urge on: INCITE
 stirring stick used for mixed drinks:
 MUDDLER
 stitch used in surgery: SUTURE
 stitching that is loose and temporary:
 BASTING
 stock bought in order to repay stock pre-
 viously borrowed, a short sale opera-
 tion: SHORT COVERING
 stock bought in such quantity as to give
 the buyer control over the price:
 CORNER
 Stock Exchange, New York: BIG BOARD
 stock in a corporation that entitles the
 owner of the shares to dividends after
 other obligations have been met:
 COMMON STOCK
 stock issued but reacquired by a company:
 TREASURY STOCK
 stock market on the decline: BEAR MARKET
 stock market on the rise: BULL MARKET
 stock of a company known for its quality
 and, therefore, for its ability to make
 money for investors: BLUE CHIP
 stock of a company with good prospects
 for future earnings: GROWTH STOCK
 stock of goods of a business listed: IN-
 VENTORY
 stock on which dividends must be paid
 ahead of those on common stock:
 PREFERRED STOCK
 stock on which omitted dividends must be
 paid before dividends are paid on
 common stock: CUMULATIVE PRE-
 FERRED
 stock options to sell a fixed number of
 shares at a specified price within a
 certain period or to buy a fixed
 number of shares at a specified price
 within a certain period of time: PUTS
 OR CALLS
 stock or bond sales that are not made on
 the floor of a stock exchange: OVER-
 THE-COUNTER
 stock phrases: CANT
 stock purchaser does not receive recent
 dividend: EX-DIVIDEND
 stock purchase at one broker and equiva-
 lent sale at another to make trading
 seem active: WASH SALE
 stock that is high-priced and good: BLUE
 CHIP
 stock that is traded on a securities
 exchange: LISTED STOCK
 stock trading of fewer than the established
 100-share unit: ODD-LOT
 stock's market price divided by earnings
 per share for a 12-month period:
 PRICE-EARNINGS RATIO
 stocks selling at less than \$1 a share:
 PENNY STOCKS
 stocky, fleshy: PYKNIC
 stomach ache resulting from muscular
 spasms: COLIC
 stomach inflammation: GASTRITIS
 stomach pit: SOLAR PLEXUS
 stone for sharpening knives: WHET-
 STONE
 stone or block on which a column or
 statue stands: PLINTH
 stone shaft that tapers to a pyramidal top:
 OBELISK
 stone slab carrying an inscription or de-
 sign: STELE
 stone to death: LAPIDATE
 stone used to scour the wooden deck of a
 ship: HOLYSTONE
 stones set up as marker or memorial:
 CAIRN
 stony, hard: PETROUS
 stony, stonelike: LITHOID
 stool or small seat, usually without arms
 or back: TABORET

stoop to an action or person, condescend:
 DEIGN
 stop, impede, block, hinder: OBSTRUCT
 stop, keep back, suppress: STIFLE
 stop or check the flow of: STANCH
 stop or pause at intervals or temporarily:
 INTERMIT
 stop or seize on the way, prevent from
 reaching the destination: INTERCEPT
 stop someone or something from all activ-
 ity: IMMOBILIZE
 stoppage in the flow of any bodily fluid:
 STASIS
 stoppage of growth: ATROPHY
 storage place for goods: REPOSITORY
 store carrying general merchandise: EM-
 PORIUM
 store as in a granary, gather, accumulate:
 GARNER
 storm characterized by sudden burst of
 wind, usually with rain or snow:
 SQUALL
 storm consisting of a whirling column of
 air: TORNADO
 stormy, severe: INCLEMENT
 stormy, violent: TEMPESTUOUS
 story, always long, sometimes poetic,
 chronicling adventure or heroic acts:
 SAGA
 story between two main floors, a partial
 balcony: MEZZANINE
 story or statement issued to news media:
 HANDOUT
 story that is highly improbable: COCK-
 AND-BULL STORY
 story with a moral: PARABLE
 story with hidden or symbolic meanings:
 ALLEGORY
 storyteller of great skill: RACONTEUR
 stout: PORTLY
 stove of cast-iron, open-faced and resem-
 bling a fireplace: FRANKLIN STOVE
 stove that is small and portable: CHAUFFER
 straggler, slow, falling behind: LAGGARD
 straight, slender, wandlike: VIRGATE
 straight line over a vowel indicating long
 sound: MACRON
 straightforward, frank, innocent, simple,
 naive: INGENUOUS
 strain, stretch, irritate: RACK
 strained, done with great effort: LABORED
 strained, forced: FAR-FETCHED
 strained as in aiming at effect: AGONISTIC
 strange, extraordinary, remarkable: UN-
 ACCOUNTABLE

strange, freakish: OUTLANDISH
 strange, weird, unnatural, eerie: UNCANNY
 strangle: GARROTE
 strap encircling the body of a horse: SUR-
 CINGLE
 strap passing across the forehead that
 helps to support a load carried on the
 back: TUMPLINE
 stratagem or tactic to outwit someone:
 PLOY
 strategies in games, economics, warfare:
 GAME THEORY
 stratagem that is a sudden, telling blow:
 COUP
 stratagem to avoid unpleasantness, dodge:
 SUBTERFUGE
 straw bed that lies on the floor: PALLET
 straw mattress: PALLIASSE
 stray: WAIF
 stray animal enclosure: PINFOLD
 stray from script: AD LIB
 stray or wander aimlessly: DIVAGATE
 straying from the right course: ERRANT
 streak, blotch, spot: MOTTLE
 stream or bay leading into the land from a
 larger body of water: INLET
 stream or creek: KILL
 street, usually narrow, lined with dwell-
 ings that were formerly stables: MEWS
 street for pedestrians, with stores on each
 side: MALL
 street show, peep show: RAREE SHOW
 strength, vigor: STAMINA
 strength or degree of some quality, feel-
 ing, action: INTENSITY
 stretch out, swell, expand: DISTEND
 stretchable, capable of being drawn out:
 TENSILE
 strict: EXACTING
 strict, grim, severe: STARK
 strict, tightly enforced: STRINGENT
 strict disciplinarian: MARTINET
 strict in religious or moral matters: PURI-
 TANICAL
 strictness, exactness: RIGOR
 stride that is steady and swinging: LOPE
 strike against, bump: JAR
 strike against, fall upon: IMPINGE
 strike hard: SLOG
 strike in which workers stay in plant but
 refuse to work: SIT-DOWN
 string looped over the fingers into intricate
 arrangements: CAT'S CRADLE
 stringed instrument used in Hindu music:
 SITAR

strip, deprive, as of possessions: DIVEST
 strip, deprive of, rob: DESPOIL
 strip, edging or selvage, as of cloth: LIST
 strip as of clothes, deprive as of rights or possessions: DIVEST
 strip blubber or skin from a whale or seal: FLENSÉ
 strip of leaves: DEFOLIATE
 strip of material sewn to a seam: WELT
 strip of ornamentation as along the top of a wall: FRIEZE
 strip or row of cut grass or grain: SWATH
 striped, grooved: STRIATED
 strips of meat or vegetables cut very thin: JULIENNE
 stripteaser: ECDYSIAST
 striving: CONATION
 stroll, walk leisurely: SAUNTER
 strong: PUISSANT
 strong, determined, brave: STALWART
 strong, sturdy, masculine: VIRILE
 strong and dark in color, said of cigars: MADURO
 strong physically: POTENT
 strong point of a person: FORTE
 stronghold: REDOUBT
 structural unit used in planning or building: MODULE
 structure, framework: FABRIC
 structure or outline of something: CONFORMATION
 structure that projects and is supported at only one end: CANTILEVER
 struggle clumsily, move awkwardly, stumble: FLOUNDER
 struggle of people that is confused and noisy: MELEE
 struggle or contend with: GRAPPLE
 strut, bluster: SWAGGER
 strut or promenade: CAKEWALK
 stubborn, cantankerous: CROTCHETY
 stubborn, cranky: PERVERSE
 stubborn, determined: HEADSTRONG
 stubborn, obstinate: PERTINACIOUS
 stubborn, unmanageable: REFRACTORY
 stubborn, persevering: INDOMITABLE
 stubborn, persistent, tough: TENACIOUS
 stubborn, pitiless, hardhearted: OBDURATE
 stubborn, rebellious, disobedient: RECALCITRANT
 stubborn, unruly, difficult: INTRACTABLE
 stubborn, unyielding: INFLEXIBLE
 stubborn, unyielding, pig-headed: OBSTINATE
 studio: ATELIER

study intensively for an examination: CRAM
 study of insects: ENTOMOLOGY
 study or read intently: PORE
 study or write laboriously: LUCUBRATE
 study space between library stacks: CARREL
 stumble or move clumsily: FLOUNDER
 stun, amaze, bewilder: STUPEFY
 stunted, small, as an imperfectly developed fruit or ear of corn: NUBBIN
 stupid: ADDLED, ADDLEBRAINED, ADDLEHEADED, ADDLEPATED
 stupid, foolish, unmoved, brutish: INSENSATE
 stupid, foolish person: SCHMO
 stupid, graceless fellow: LOU
 stupid, idiotic, inane: FATUOUS
 stupid, senseless: VACUOUS
 stupid, ungainly individual: GAWK
 stupid in a gross way: CRASS
 stupid person: CLODPATE, CLODPOLL
 stupid person: IGNORAMUS
 stupid person, blockhead, dunce: DOLT
 stupor, apathy: TORPOR
 stupor, muscular rigidity and occasional mental agitation: CATATONIA
 sturdy, athletic physical structure: MESOMORPHIC
 sturdy, strong, masculine: VIRILE
 style, skill, technical mastery, as of an art: VIRTUOSITY
 style, smartness, dash: PIZZAZZ
 style of great brilliance: BRAVURA
 style of speech or writing that is artificially elegant: DUPHUISM
 style that is spirited, dash: PANACHE
 suave, refined, polite: URBANE
 subconscious mind exhibited in art and literature: SURREALISM
 subdue or suppress by force, allay: QUELL
 subdue utterly, silence, crush: SQUELCH
 subject to the law or rule of another: HETERONOMOUS
 subjective aspect of an emotion: AFFECT
 sublime, celestial, superior, fiery: EMPYREAL
 submerge, engulf, overpower: WHELM
 submissive: AMENABLE
 submissive, slavish: SERVILE
 submission to or respectful regard for the wishes or opinions of another: DEFERENCE
 subsidiary business on certain premises: CONCESSION

subsidy to support a study or institution:
SUBVENTION
 substance produced chemically: SYNTHETIC
 substitute: SURROGATE
 substitute: VICAR
 substitute, deputy: ALTER EGO
 substitute, especially for an actor or actress: UNDERSTUDY
 substitute, usually inferior: ERSATZ
 substitute for or authority to act for another: PROXY
 substitute goals or abilities to make up for personal lack: COMPENSATION
 substitutes on an athletic team: BENCH
 substituting a roundabout word for another to avoid giving pain or offense: EUPHEMISM
 substitution of title or epithet for proper name: ANTONOMASIA
 subtle: FINE-DRAWN
 subtle, as a distinction made: NICE
 subtle, vague: INDEFINABLE
 subtle and gradual introduction: INSINUATION
 subtle or fine variation or gradation: NUANCE
 subtraction term for the number from which the subtrahend is to be deducted: MINUEND
 subverting person or group that undermines from within: TROJAN HORSE
 success that comes unexpectedly to this venture or person: SLEEPER
 success that is sudden and removes an obstacle to progress: BREAKTHROUGH
 successful or prosperous period: FLORESCENCE
 succor, aid: SUBVENTION
 sudden, abrupt: PRECIPITATE
 sudden and overwhelming: FOUROYANT
 sudden and turbulent outburst: PAROXYSM
 sudden burst of activity or energy: SPURT
 sudden change of mind without adequate motive: CAPRICE
 sudden impulse: IMPETUOSITY
 sudden inspiration: BRAINSTORM
 sudden sharp twist: QUIRK
 sudden start: SALLY
 sudden success that removes an obstacle to progress: BREAKTHROUGH
 suffering, capable of feeling: PASSIBLE
 suffering, distress, pain, anguish: TRAVAIL
 suffering that affords pleasure: MASOCHISM
 sufficient grounds for, justify: WARRANT
 suffocating someone to death: BURKE

suffocation: ASPHYXIATION
 suffuse or cover with a liquid or color:
PERFUSE
 sugar raw in the cane: MUSCOVADO
 sugared or candied, iced, frozen: GLACÉ
 suggest, imply: CONNOTE
 suggest, propose: PROPOUND
 suggest or mention for the first time:
BROACH
 suggestive, off-color: RISQUÉ
 suggestive, risqué: RACY
 suggestive in a delicate way: SUBTLE
 suggestive of something, fragrant: REDOLENT
 suicidal Japanese air attack: KAMIKAZE
 suicide: FELO-DE-SE
 suicide by disembowelment as a Japanese ritual: HARA-KIRI
 suitable: APROPOS
 suitable, advisable, proper: EXPEDIENT
 suitable, practicable: FEASIBLE
 sulkily pugnacious: TRUCULENT
 sullen, stern, gloomy, morose: DOUR
 sullen or angry look, scowl: LOWER
 sum of the squares of the two legs of a right-angle triangle equals the square of the hypotenuse: PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM
 summarize: RECAPITULATE
 summary: PROSPECTUS
 summary: RÉSUMÉ
 summary, diagram, or synopsis as of a process: SCHEMA
 summary, digest: CONSPECTUS
 summary, general view of a subject: SYNOPSIS
 summary in concise form, abstract: PRECIS
 summary of a document: ABSTRACT
 summary of the main points of a course of study: SYLLABUS
 summary or synopsis of the plot of a dramatic work: SCENARIO
 summary that is brief but comprehensive:
COMPENDIUM
 summation of an oration: PERORATION
 summer, to pass the: ESTIVATE
 summer and that which pertains to it: ESTIVAL
 summer home, Russian: DACHA
 summerhouse or similar structure: GAZEBO
 summerhouse, tent or canopy: PAVILION
 summer's beginning when the sun is farthest north of the Equator, about June 22: SUMMER SOLSTICE
 summon, draw or call forth: EVOKE

summons or formal demand: REQUISITION
 sun, solar: HELIACAL
 sun as the center: HELIOCENTRIC
 sun at its greatest distance north or south
 of the equator: SOLSTICE
 sunroom: SOLARIUM
 sun-dried brick: ADOBE
 sunken design, incised carving: INTAGLIO
 sunset occurrence: ACRONICAL
 superficial: FACILE
 superficial follower of an art or science:
 DILETTANTE
 superficial or little knowledge: SMATTER-
 ING
 superfluous: DE TROP
 superfluous: EXCRESCENT
 superfluous, extraneous: SUPEREROGATORY
 superfluous, redundant word or phrase:
 PLEONASM
 superintendence or management: INTEND-
 ANCE
 superior to all others: SUPERLATIVE
 superiority in weight, influence: PREPON-
 DERANT
 superiority worshiper who shows con-
 tempt for supposed inferiors: SNOB
 superstition or story passed on from gener-
 ation to generation: OLD WIVES' TALE
 superstitious regard for an object thought
 to have magical powers: FETISHISM
 supplant, replace: SUPERSEDE
 supple, agile, lithe, pliant: LISSOME
 supplement, piece out: EKE
 supply or feed to excess: SURFEIT
 support: ABET
 support: ADMINICLE
 support, approval, encouraging look:
 COUNTENANCE
 support, sponsorship: PATRONAGE
 support for wood in a fireplace: ANDIRON
 support of wood or metal to keep a broken
 bone in place: SPLINT
 support or advocacy, as of a cause: ES-
 POUSAL
 support or aid as an auxiliary: ANCIL-
 LARY
 supporter or originator of a cause: PROPO-
 NENT
 supporters or voters: CONSTITUENCY
 suppose or conclude from incomplete evi-
 dence: CONJECTURE
 suppress, keep back: STIFLE
 suppress, keep secret: HUGGER-MUGGER
 suppress, stamp out, stifle: SCOTCH
 suppress or put down forcibly: QUASH

suppression of truth to procure some favor
 or reward: SUBREPTION
 suppressing or silencing, as a rumor:
 QUIETUS
 supreme and independent authority: SOV-
 EREIGN
 supreme command, absolute power: IM-
 PERIUM
 supreme or highest good: SUMMUM BONUM
 sureness: CERTITUDE
 surface elegance: VENEER
 surfeit, glut: SATIATE
 surgery on living animals for medical re-
 search purposes: VIVISECTION
 surmountable, conquerable: SUPERABLE
 surname: COGNOMEN
 surname: PATRONYMIC
 surpass, excel, beat: TRUMP
 surpassing others: PREEMINENT
 surprise attack: AMBUSH
 surrender of a prerogative: ABDICATE
 surround, beset: BELEAGUER
 surrounded by land: LANDLOCKED
 surroundings: AMBIENCE
 surroundings, environment, set, as of a
 play: MISE EN SCÈNE
 surroundings, setting, environment: MILIEU
 survey of a subject: CONSPECTUS
 survey or map used for taxation basis:
 CADASTER
 survey to gain information: RECONNAIS-
 SANCE
 survive, pass through, as a crisis:
 WEATHER
 surviving, existing: EXTANT
 susceptibility or tendency to: PREDISPOSI-
 TION
 suspend, supplant, annul: SUPERSEDE
 suspend temporarily punishment or pain:
 REPRIEVE
 suspense or state of anxiety: ON TEN-
 TERHOOKS
 suspenseful story: CLIFF-HANGER
 suspension of action: ABEYANCE
 suspicious, cautious, wary: LEERY
 suspicious, questionable: EQUIVOCAL
 sustained or held, in music: TENUTO
 sustenance: ALIMENT
 swagger, bluster: FANFARONADE
 swaggering self-assurance: COCKINESS
 swallow food: INGEST
 swallow up, overwhelm: ENGULF
 swallowing difficulty: DYSPHAGIA
 swampy body of water: BAYOU
 swarm, teem, breed rapidly: PULLULATE

sway, totter, waver: VACILLATE
 swayback: LORDOSIS
 swear falsely, perjure oneself, renounce:
 FORSWEAR
 sweat: SUDOR
 sweater, knitted, collarless and long-
 sleeved that opens down front: CAR-
 DIGAN
 sweating in excessive or abnormal man-
 ner: SUDATION
 sweating that is excessive: HIDROSIS
 sweet or rich in excess, cloying: LUSCIOUS
 sweet sounding: MELLIFLUOUS
 sweet-sounding, melodious, pleasant:
 DULCET
 sweet to excess: SACCHARINE
 swell, expand, widen: DILATE
 swell, stretch out, expand: DISTEND
 swelling: INTUMESCENCE
 swelling, knot or knob: NODE
 swelling, protuberance: TUBEROSITY
 swelling, puffiness: TUMEFACTION
 swelling in the body: EDEMA
 swelling or tumor formed by an effusion
 of blood: HEMATOMA
 swerve: SKEW
 swift, dashing, large, vigorous: SPARKING
 swift, dazzling, brilliant: METEORIC
 swift, rapid, galloping: TANTIVY
 swimmer's breathing tube that projects
 above water's surface: SNORKEL
 swimming kick in which both legs are
 parted and bent at the knees, then
 thrust backward together: SCISSORS
 KICK
 swimming pool: NATATORIUM
 swimming under water with equipment
 such as flippers, scuba apparatus,
 etc.: SKIN DIVING
 swindle: BUNCO
 swindle: SKIN GAME
 swindle, cheat: ROOK
 swindle after the victim's confidence has
 been won: CONFIDENCE GAME
 swine castrated after maturity: STAG
 swing around: SLUE
 swing to and fro, fluctuate: OSCILLATE
 swirling motion of air, water, or gas, etc.:
 TURBULENCE
 swish, fanciness, rustling as of silk:
 FROUFROU
 switch from the lofty to the commonplace:
 BATHOS
 switching of letters or sounds that changes
 a word: METATHESIS

swollen: BULBOUS
 swollen: TUMESCENT
 swollen: TUMID
 swollen, distended: TURGID
 swollen, bulging: VENTRICULAR
 sword, short and curved: SCIMITAR
 sword without cutting edge used in duel-
 ing: EPEE
 swordlike in shape: XIPHOID
 swordlike knife: SNICKERSNEE
 sword-shaped: GLADIATE
 sworn, written statement: AFFIDAVIT
 syllable or letter appended to a word:
 PARAGOGE
 syllable or syllables placed at the begin-
 ning of a word: PREFIX
 syllable or syllables placed at the end of a
 word: SUFFIX
 syllable shortened although it is naturally
 or by position long: SYSTOLE
 syllable third from last in a word: AN-
 TEPENULT
 syllables, used in music, as do, re, mi,
 etc.: SOLMIZATION
 symbol for "and" (&): AMPERSAND
 symbol of fruitfulness: CALATHUS
 symbol or emblem by a publisher, used on
 title page of a book: COLOPHON
 symbol or picture representing a word,
 sound or object: HIEROGLYPHIC
 symbol or representative of something, as
 of a doctrine or a cause: EXPONENT
 symbols devised to represent phonetically
 the positions of the speech mecha-
 nism: VISIBLE SPEECH
 sympathize or grieve with someone: CON-
 DOLE
 sympathy-evoking, sorrow: PATHOS
 symptom of an approaching disease: PRO-
 DROME
 symptoms indicating a disease or condi-
 tion: SYNDROME
 synonyms and antonyms arranged in cate-
 gories, in a book: THESAURUS
 synopsis, summary or diagram as of a pro-
 cess: SCHEMA
 synopsis or summary of the plot of a dra-
 matic work: SCENARIO
 syntax: COLLOCATION
 synthesis of separate elements of emotion
 or experience that constitutes more
 than the mechanical sum of the parts:
 GESTALT
 syphilis: LUES
 systematized course of living: REGIMEN

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table companion: COMMENSAL
 table for holding a tea service: TEAPOY
 table or its uses: MENSAL
 table supported wholly or in part by brackets: CONSOLE TABLE
 table wine: VIN ORDINAIRE
 table with swinging legs that support drop leaves: GATE-LEG TABLE
 tablet on a wall for decoration or to mark an event: PLAQUE
 tableware: FLATWARE
 tact, knowledge of the right thing to say or do: SAVOIR-FAIRE
 tact, smoothness, highly refined skill: FINESSE
 tactic or stratagem to outwit someone: PLOY
 tactlessness: GAUCHERIE
 tadpole: POLLIWOG
 tail part that is fleshy, in animals: DOCK
 tailless: ACAUDAL
 take apart: DISMANTLE
 take attention away from: PRESCIND
 take away a legacy: ADEEM
 take away from, detract: DEROGATE
 take back, recant: RETRACT
 take exception to, hesitate, object: DEMUR
 take note: COGNIZANCE
 take off, remove: DOFF
 take over property from the owner, usually for public use: EXPROPRIATE
 take place, happen: SUPERVENE
 take the place of: SUPERSEDE
 take parts from one piece of equipment to use in another: CANNIBALIZE
 taking risks to achieve some end: BRINK-MANSHIP
 talisman or charm: GRIGRI
 talk, conference of opposing sides: PARLEY

talk about publicly: BRUIT
 talk boastfully: COCKALORUM
 talk down or against something: DEPRECATE
 talk foolishly: TWADDLE
 talk in a wandering, incoherent manner: MAUNDER
 talk quickly or incoherently: GABBLE
 talk or chatter that is rapid, nonsensical or unintelligible: JABBER
 talk rapidly and incoherently: GIBBER
 talk senselessly, chatter: PRATE
 talk that is foolish or senseless: DRIVEL
 talk that is idle, also a discussion: PALAVER
 talk that sounds important but isn't: BOMBAST
 talk to oneself: SOLILOQUIZE
 talkative: LOQUACIOUS
 talkative, foolish person: BLATHERSKITE
 talkative, glib, speaking fluently: VOLUBLE
 talkativeness: GARRULITY
 talkativeness to an abnormal degree: LOGORRHEA
 talked-about object: CONVERSATION PIECE
 talking about a traumatic situation for release from it: ABREACTION
 talking foolishly: BLITHERING
 talks learnedly in table conversation: DEIPNOSOPHIST
 tall, lean, often awkward: LANKY
 tall, slender figure: ASTHENIC
 tall building: HIGH-RISE
 tall story: COCK-AND-BULL STORY
 Talmudic literature devoted to legal elements: HALAKHA
 Talmudic stories and account of the Exodus read at Seder service: HAGGADAH

- tangible, touchable: TACTILE
 tangle or make intricate: INVOLVE
 tangle: RETICULAR
 tantrum: CONNIPION
 tap dancing without metal taps: SOFT SHOE
 tap firmly: PERCUSS
 tap or drum monotonously: THRUM
 tart or pleasantly sharp taste: PIQUANT
 taste, flavor: SAPOR
 taste or flavor that is sickeningly sentimental: MAWKISH
 taste that is saline and distasteful: BRACKISH
 tasteless, flat, bland, dull: INSIPID
 tasting, taste: GUSTATION
 tasty, appetizing: SAVORY
 tasty, savory: SAPID
 taunt, gibe: GIRD
 taunt, jeer: GIBE
 taunt or annoy by reminding of a fault: TWIT
 taunting, sneering, ironical language: SARCASM
 tautological, wordy: REDUNDANT
 tax: IMPOST
 tax of one tenth: TITHE
 teacher: PRECEPTOR
 teacher, lecturer, tutor without faculty rank: DOCENT
 teacher or guide, in the East, especially in spiritual matters: GURU
 teaching or learning through discovery and investigation: HEURISTICS
 teacher who is narrow-minded, pedantic: PEDAGOGUE
 tear, chafe, or burn away strips of: EXCORIATE
 tear apart, as in searching for plunder: RANSACK
 tear apart forcibly: REND
 tear raggedly, mangle: LACERATE
 tear to pieces: DILACERATE
 tearful: LACHRYMOSE
 tearfully emotional or sentimental: MAUDLIN
 tearing away: AVULSION
 tease or disappoint by repeated frustration of expectations: TANTALIZE
 teasing talk, jesting: RAILLERY
 teasing that is playful: BADINAGE
 technical mastery, skill, style, as of an art: VIRTUOSITY
 technicians as rulers: TECHNOCRACY
 tedious, boring: WEARISOME
 tedious, troublesome, tiresome: IRKSOME
 teething, cutting teeth: DENTITION
 telepathy, clairvoyance: CRYPTESTHESIA
 telephone transactions in unlisted stocks: OVER-THE-COUNTER
 television: VIDEO
 television magnetic tape on which the video and audio parts of a program can be recorded: VIDEO TAPE
 television or radio melodramatic series: SOAP OPERA
 television's picture as distinguished from its sound, or audio: VIDEO
 television's sound as distinguished from its picture, or video: AUDIO
 tell, disclose, reveal: DIVULGE
 temperate in eating and drinking: ABSTEMIOUS
 temperature sense lacking, unable to recognize heat or cold: THERMANESTHESIA
 temperature standard used to estimate fuel requirements for heating of buildings: DEGREE DAY
 tempo and expression of music at performer's pleasure: A CAPRICCIO
 temporary: INTERIM
 temporary, brief: TRANSIENT
 temporary buildings for housing troops: CANTONMENT
 temporary camp, usually without shelter: BIVOUAC
 temporary inaction: ABEYANCE
 temporary or makeshift, as applied to a ship's rigging: JURY-RIGGED
 temporary residence or stay: SOJOURN
 temporary stitching: BASTING
 tendency, bent: PROPENSITY
 tendency, trend, liking, leaning or bent: INCLINATION
 tendency or drift that is hidden: UNDERCURRENT
 tendency or inclination: BENT
 tendency or way of reacting: DISPOSITION
 tendency or inclination, usually toward something objectionable: PROCLIVITY
 tendency or susceptibility to: PREDISPOSITION
 tendency that is inborn: INSTINCT
 tender, emotional, sometimes mawkish: SENTIMENTAL
 tender part of a loin of meat: TENDERLOIN
 tending to a particular point of view: TENDENTIOUS
 tendon at the back of the human knee: HAMSTRING

Ten Commandments: DECALOGUE
 ten-year anniversary: DECENNIAL
 ten-year period, decade: DECENNARY
 tennis: SPHAIRISTIKE
 tennis ball returned before it hits the ground: VOLLEY
 tennis court's screened gallery for spectators, especially in court tennis: DEDANS
 tennis return in which softly stroked ball barely clears the net: DROP SHOT
 tennis rule violation of failing to keep both feet behind the base line when serving: FOOT FAULT
 tennis set in which the winner wins every game: LOVE SET
 tennis stroke in which the ball is arched high into the air: LOB
 tennis stroke in which the hand holding the racket hits the ball from the opposite side of the body: BACKHAND
 tennis stroke made on the same side of the body as that of the hand wielding the racket: FOREHAND
 tense, bewildered, agitated, worried: DISTRAUGHT
 tenth part of anything: TITHE
 terminology, names: NOMENCLATURE
 territory surrounded by that of another country or class: ENCLAVE
 terse, concise, brief and meaningful: SUCCINCT
 terse, pithy, axiomatic: SENTENTIOUS
 terse, solid, packed with meaning: PITHY
 test for diphtheria: SCHICK TEST
 test for uterine cancer: PAP TEST
 test or gauge the weight of by lifting: HEFT
 test the depth of water: SOUND
 test word, password: SHIBBOLETH
 textiles, also perishable goods: SOFT GOODS
 ticket selling above regular rates: SCALPING
 tickle or excite pleasurably: TITILLATE
 tidal wave: TSUNAMI
 tide occurring at or shortly after the new or full moon: SPRING TIDE
 tide when rise and fall show least change: NEAP TIDE
 tides in conflict producing turbulent water: RIP TIDE
 tidy: KEMPT
 tie, a race in which two competitors finish together: DEAD HEAT

tie or draw, as in a game: STANDOFF
 tie or fasten together: COLLIGATE
 tie that connects, bond: LIGAMENT
 tie together the four feet, or the feet and hands: HOG-TIE
 tight spot, predicament: QUANDARY
 tighten up or make concise: CONDENSE
 tight-rope walker: FUNAMBULIST
 tilelike, either in shape or arrangement: TEGULAR
 tilt or slope: CANT
 timber driven into the earth to support a building or pier: PILE
 timber in a stand: STUMPAGE
 time between periods or events, meantime: INTERIM
 time counted in reverse, as in rocket launching: COUNTDOWN
 time flies: TEMPUS FUGIT
 time, in addition to length, width and thickness: FOURTH DIMENSION
 time erroneously associated with an event or a thing: ANACHRONISM
 time nature of a verb form: TENSE
 time or rate agreement arranged: SYNCHRONIZED
 time out from work, for a short period: COFFEE BREAK
 time period memorable for important events or influence: EPOCH
 time to be off the streets: CURFEW
 time-consuming tactics to obstruct action: FILIBUSTER
 time-honored, venerable, classic: VINTAGE
 time-measuring science: CHRONOLOGY
 timepiece: HOROLOGE
 time-to-get-up signal on bugle or drum: REVEILLE
 timid: PIGEON-HEARTED
 timid, fearful: TIMOROUS
 timid or cowardly: CHICKEN-HEARTED OR CHICKEN-LIVERED
 timid or fearful, trembling: TREMULOUS
 timidity, shyness, lack of confidence: DIFFIDENCE
 tin mine region: STANNARY
 tinder of decayed wood: PUNK
 tint, light color: TINCTURE
 tiny: IOTA
 tiny, very small: MINUSCULE
 tiny person: HOP-O'-MY-THUMB
 tiny quantity: SOUPÇON
 tip: POURBOIRE
 tip, gift of money: GRATUITY
 tirade: HARANGUE

tireless, unflagging: INDEFATIGABLE
 tiresome, tedious, troublesome: IRKSOME
 tissue and tissue structure, as a biological study: HISTOLOGY
 tissue growing abnormally, as a tumor: NEOPLASM
 tissue removed from living organism for examination: BIOPSY
 title or epithet substituted for proper name: ANTONOMASIA
 title or heading of a section in a law: RUBRIC
 that's life: C'EST LA VIE
 theater bulletin board: CALLBOARD
 theater fabric, light and sheer, used as a backdrop: SCRIM
 theater space above the stage containing drop curtain and lighting: FLY
 theater waiting room for performers when they are off-stage: GREEN ROOM
 theater with stage surrounded by seats: ARENA THEATER
 theaters, tents, modified barns, usually in resort areas, for plays, concerts: STRAW-HAT CIRCUIT
 theatrical, overly emotional: HISTRIONIC
 theatrical collection of works prepared for production: REPERTORY
 theatrical stage objects: PROPS
 theft: LARCENY
 theme used throughout a work of art to indicate a certain person, event or idea: LEITMOTIF
 theoretical, as opposed to practical: ACADEMIC
 theoretical, not concrete: ABSTRACT
 theological branch dealing with facts and proofs concerning Christianity: APOLOGETICS
 theoretical or conjectural: SPECULATIVE
 theory or supposition used as basis for further investigation: HYPOTHESIS
 therapy using doses of medicines that produce symptoms of the disease treated: HOMEOPATHY
 thesis established by showing its opposite to be absurd: APAGOGUE
 thick and dense, as heavy smoke: TURBID
 thicken: INCRASSATE
 thicken as by evaporation: INSPISSATE
 thickening of artery walls: ATHEROSCLEROSIS
 thief: GONIF or GANEF
 thin, flimsy, delicate: TENUOUS
 thin, lean: SPARE

thin, scanty, inadequate: MEAGER
 thin and pale: PEAKED
 thin biscuit or cookie: WAFER
 thin down, emaciate: MACERATE
 thin sheets of fabric, wood, etc., bonded together: LAMINATED
 thing that goes into a mixture: INGREDIENT
 think, reason: INTELLECTUALIZE
 think about, reflect, consider carefully: PONDER
 think of separately: PRESCIND
 think out carefully, devise: EXCOGITATE
 thinker, clever man: SOPHIST
 thinking, using the intellect: INTELECTION
 thinly diffused: SPARSE
 third anniversary: TRIENNIAL
 third syllable from end in a word: ANTEPENULT
 thirst-causing, dry up: PARCH
 thirteen: BAKER'S DOZEN
 this side of the Atlantic: CISATLANTIC
 thorough, thorough-going: INGRAINED
 thoroughfare or open space for crowds: CONCOURSE
 thought, idea: INTELECTION
 thought apart from matter: ABSTRACT
 thoughtful, serious, often melancholy: PENSIVE
 thoughtless, unthinking: INCOGITANT
 thousand, as by the thousand: PER MILL
 thousand, or thousand years: CHILIAD
 thousand tons: KILOTON
 thousand-year period: MILLENNARY
 thrash severely, punish or beat: TROUNCE
 threat or denunciation, especially from a divine source: COMMINATION
 threaten: IMPEND
 threatening, menacing: MINACIOUS, MINATORY
 threatening and dark, as the weather: LOWERING
 . . . (three dots) indicating the omission of words in a sentence: ELISION
 three in a governing group: TROIKA
 three miles: LEAGUE
 three persons or things: TRIAD
 three rhyming lines: TERCET
 three separate but related literary or dramatic works: TRILOGY
 three spots, as on a card or domino: TREY
 three-figure design, with branches, arms, or legs coming from a common center: TRISKELION
 threes, grouped in threes: TERNARY

thrift or economy in managing: HUSBANDRY
 thriftless, rash, incautious: IMPROVIDENT
 thrifty: FRUGAL
 thrifty, careful: CANNY
 thrill, arouse, startle: ELECTRIFY
 throat irritation often causing loss of voice: LARYNGITIS
 throb regularly, vibrate: PULSATE
 throbbing, pulsing: VIBRANT
 throw forth or forward: PROJECT
 throw goods or cargo overboard: JETTISON
 throw in or introduce abruptly: INJECT
 throw things at: PELT
 throwing out of a window: DEFENESTRATION
 thrust away from, push down: DETRUDE
 thumb: POLLEX
 thumb one's nose: SNOOK
 thumb rapidly through a book's pages: RIFFLE
 thus passes away worldly glory: SIC TRANSIT GLORIA MUNDI
 to the point: APROPOS
 toady, cringe fondly: FAWN
 toady, servile follower: LACKEY
 toast or bread, in small pieces, dipped in gravy or sauce: SIPPET
 toasted slices of bread that has been baked yellow: ZWIEBACK
 tobacco ash left in pipe after smoking: DOTTLE
 tobacco grown in Louisiana, dark and strong: PERIQUE
 toe with joint bent downward: HAMMERTOE
 toeless: ADACTYLOUS
 toes linked by membrane: WEB-FOOTED
 together: IN CONCERT
 together, cooperative: SYNERGETIC
 toilet bowl for bathing genitals: BIDET
 toilet for numbers of people, as in a camp: LATRINE
 toilet in nautical language: HEAD
 token of a solemn pledge: SACRAMENT
 token or counter: JETON
 tolerate by use or exercise, accustom: INURE
 tomato juice mixed with vodka as a cocktail: BLOODY MARY
 tomato juice served as if it were a cocktail: VIRGIN MARY
 tomboy: HOYDEN
 tombstone inscription: EPITAPH

tomcat: GIB
 tomorrow (Spanish): MAÑANA
 tone color, as of a voice or an instrument: TIMBRE
 tongue lashing: EXCORIATION
 tonguelike: LANGUAGE
 tonguelike or pertaining to language: LINGUAL
 too glib, facile: PAT
 too great or too numerous to be determined: INCALCULABLE
 too much, in music: TANTO
 too much sweetness: CLOYING
 tooth cleanser: DENTIFRICE
 tooth extraction: EXODONTIA
 tooth that is broken or projects: SNAGGLETOOTH
 tooth with two points: BICUSPID
 toothache: ODONTALGIA
 toothless: EDENTATE
 tooth-gnashing: BRUXISM
 top, apex: VERTEX
 top course of a wall or roof: COPING
 top grade or quality: FIRST WATER
 top having four, lettered sides, used in a gambling game: TEETOTUM
 topmost point, acme: PINNACLE
 top-shaped, or spinning like a top: TURBINATE
 top rank: PREEMINENT
 torch, candlestick that is large and decorated: FLAMBEAU
 torment, tease, rant, browbeat, bluster: HECTOR
 tornado: TWISTER
 torpor: ACEDIA
 Torrid Zone inhabitants whose shadows fall according to season: AMPHISCIAN
 tortoiselike: TESTUDINAL
 tortuous: ANFRACTUOUS
 tossing or twitching to an abnormal degree: JACTITATION
 total, end-to-end: OVERALL
 touch at sides or ends: ABUT
 touch or meet lightly: KISS
 touch or push with a slight jar, shake lightly, stimulate: JOG
 touchable: TANGIBLE
 touchable, perceptible: PALPABLE
 touchable, tangible: TACTILE
 touching: TANGENT
 touching, emotionally moving: POIGNANT
 tough, robust: HARDY
 tough, unyielding: HARD-BITTEN

toughen or smooth metal: PLANISH
 tour rural districts: BARNSTORM
 tournament: JOUSTS
 tournament in which each player engages every other player: ROUND ROBIN
 tousled, untidy, unkempt: DISHEVELED
 toward the center: CENTRIPETAL
 toward the stern on a boat: ABAFT
 tower or keep of a castle: DONJON
 tower that tapers to a point: SPIRE
 trace, sign of something absent: VESTIGE
 trace, slight hint: SOUPÇON
 trace, spark: SCINTILLA
 trace out, portray verbally, describe: DE-LINEATE
 track, trail, footprint or other trace of a wild animal: SPOOR
 track and field event in which an athlete uses a long pole to leap over a high horizontal bar: POLE VAULT
 track or trail behind any moving thing, such as a ship: WAKE
 tractable, yielding: PLAINT
 trademark of a publishing house: COLO-PHON
 trader: CHANDLER
 trader or dealer: MONGER
 trading of votes and influence between politicians: LOGROLLING
 trading unit on a stock exchange, usually 100 shares: ROUND LOT
 tragic muse: MELPOMENE
 trail, track, footprint or other trace of a wild animal: SPOOR
 train of persons or animals fastened together as for marching: COFFLE
 train to a behavior pattern: CONDITION
 training of employees to develop skills, etc.: IN-SERVICE COURSES
 traitor: RECREANT
 traitor, deserter: RENEGADE
 tramp, wanderer: VAGABOND
 tranquil, calm, untroubled: SERENE
 tranquil, serene, uniform: EQUABLE
 tranquillity: ATARAXIA
 transaction conditionally authorized when, as, and if a security is issued: WHEN ISSUED
 transference of an emotion to something other than the original object: DIS-PLACEMENT
 transform: TRANSMOGRIFY
 transform, convert: RESOLVE

transformation: PERMUTATION
 transformation of form, character, or appearance: METAMORPHOSIS
 transient, fickle, unstable, fleeting: VOLATILE
 transitional form: INTERGRADE
 transitory, fleeting: FUGACIOUS
 transitory, lasting a short time, fleeting, of short life or duration: EPHEMERAL
 transitory or passing: CADUCITY
 translation literally of a word or construction from one language to another: LOAN TRANSLATION
 translation word for word: METAPHRASE
 translucent, limpid: PELLUCID
 transmit to another: BEQUEATH
 transmutation process: ALCHEMY
 transparent, lucid, pure, clear: LIMPID
 transparent, radiant: LUCENT
 transparent or translucent, as a cloth: DIAPHANOUS
 transposing letters of a word to form another: ANAGRAM
 transposition of letters or sounds that changes a word: METATHESIS
 transposition of sounds or of parts of words unintentionally: SPOONERISM
 trap, situation with no escape: CUL DE SAC
 trapeze acrobat: AERIALIST
 trashy art or literature: KITSCH
 travel a route: PEREGRINATE
 travel urge: WANDERLUST
 traveler, wayfarer: VIATOR
 travelers moving in a group: CARAVAN
 traveling or going from place to place: ITINERANT
 traveling salesman who sells or gives away religious books: COLPORTEUR
 tray: SALVER
 treacherous: PERFIDIOUS
 treacherous woman: DELILAH
 treacherous, wily, cunning: INSIDIOUS
 treason, offense against sovereign authority: LESE MAJESTY
 treasurer: BURSAR
 treatise: DISSERTATION
 treatise, formal discourse: DISQUISITION
 treatise or pamphlet usually on a political or religious subject: TRACT
 treatment of disease by manipulation of joints: CHIROPRACTIC
 treatment of disease by producing incompatible conditions: ALLOPATHY
 treaty, contract, agreement: PACT

tree grown from seed: STAND
 tree rings used to estimate dates of past events: DENDROCHRONOLOGY
 tree with its top cut to cause growth of shoots: POLLARD
 trees, like or living in: ARBOREAL
 trees as studied in botany and forestry: DENDROLOGY
 trees or shrubs cut and arranged in fantastic shapes: TOPIARY
 trembling paralysis: PALSY
 trench mouth: VINCENT'S ANGINA
 trespass, intrude, advance beyond proper limit: ENCROACH
 trespass for hunting or fishing: POACH
 triangle with two equal sides: ISOSCELES
 triangles and the relationship of their sides and angles, as a study: TRIGONOMETRY
 triangular jet aircraft: DELTA WING
 triangular or wedge-shaped piece of fabric set into a garment to provide greater fullness: GORE
 triangular roof feature: GABLE
 triangular stringed instrument (Russian): BALALAIKA
 tribute, elaborate praise: PANEGYRIC
 trick, cajole, entice by flattery or guile: INVEIGLE
 trick, cheat, deceive: FINAGLE
 trick, maneuver, device for obtaining advantage: STRATAGEM
 trick or cheat: HOODWINK
 trick or deceive someone: BAMBOOZLE
 trickery: CHICANERY
 trickery, deceitfulness, double-dealing: DUPLICITY
 trickery, deception: HOCUS-POCUS
 trickery, hocus-pocus, sleight of hand: LEGERDEMAIN
 trickery, rascality, deceitfulness: KNAVERY
 trickery, underhandedness: SKULDUGGERY
 tricky or fraudulent action: JOCKEYING
 tricky or lewd: LUBRICOUS
 trifle: BAGATELLE
 trifle, little something: QUELQUE CHOSE
 trifle with or flirt: COQUET
 trifles, unimportant details: MINUTIAE
 trifling, small work: OPUSCULE
 trifling or insignificant size or amount: NEGLIGIBLE
 trifling, small: NOMINAL
 trifling, unimportant, frivolous: FRIBBLE
 trifling, unimportant, insignificant: PETTY

trilling sound, as that of grasshoppers or birds: CHIRR
 trim or cut the branches as from a tree: LOP
 trimming for women's gowns, as beaded lace or braid: PASSEMENTERIE
 trimming on edges or seams of material: PIPING
 trinket: BIBELOT
 trinket: GEWGAW
 trinket or ornament either gaudy or trifling: FALLAL
 triplicate: TERNATE
 trite, commonplace, banal remark: PLATITUDE
 trite, commonplace, worn out by overuse (as a phrase): HACKNEYED
 trite expression: BROMIDE
 trite or hackneyed: HACK
 trite, worn-out, overused expression: CLICHÉ
 trite story, song, saying: CHESTNUT
 triumphant, joyful: JUBILANT
 trivial, of small importance: FEATHER-WEIGHT
 trivial, petty: INSIGNIFICANT
 trivial, petty: PICAYUNE
 trivial, petty, contemptible: PALTRY
 trivial, silly, unimportant: FRIVOLOUS
 trivial, unimportant: INCONSEQUENTIAL
 trivial or worthless matter: CHAFF
 trolley in parallelogram shape that draws current for an electric locomotive: PANTOGRAPH
 troop call for service, review, etc.: MUSTER
 trouble: TSOORIS
 trouble, bother, inconvenience: DISCOMMODE
 trouble, torment relentlessly: HARASS
 trouble with persistent demands: IMPORTUNE
 trouble-free state: ATARAXIA
 troublemaker: ENFANT TERRIBLE
 trouble-making: PESTILENT
 troublesome, tiresome, tedious: IRKSOME
 trousers of women resembling a skirt: CULOTTE
 trudge laboriously: PLOD
 true apparently but open to doubt: PLAUSIBLE
 truism: PLATITUDE
 truly so: VERITABLE
 trumpet mute: SOURDINE

trumpet or drum signal for a parley: CHA-
MADE
trustee, guardian: FIDUCIARY
truthful, accurate: VERACIOUS
truthful appearing: VERISIMILITUDE
tub for boiling and bleaching fabrics: KIER
tube between mouth and stomach:
GULLET
tube of small size, often graduated: PI-
PETTE
tuck made in a garment to achieve good
fit: DART
tuft of ribbons, yarn, feathers: POMPON
tuft or clump, as of grass or hair: TUSsock
tumbler, vaulter: VOLTIGEUR
tumor that is malignant: SARCOMA
tumult, confusion: TURMOIL
tune an instrument: TEMPER
turbulent, dangerous condition or place:
MAELSTROM
Turkish confection: HALVAH
Turkish title of respect (formerly): EF-
FENDI
turmoil, confusion: HURLY-BURLY
turmoil, haste, excitement: HECTIC
turn, as the hand, so that the palm is up-
ward or forward: SUPINATE
turn, rotate or swing, as on a pivot: PIVOT
turn aside: SHUNT
turn aside, deflect, distract, amuse, enter-
tain: DIVERT
turn aside, swerve: SKEW
turn aside, wander from the main subject:
DIGRESS
turn aside, ward off, avoid: PARRY
turn away from straight course, or sexual
pervert: DEVIATE
turn or go back to a former place, position
or condition: REVERT
turn out finally, result ultimately: EVEN-
TUATE
turn outward or inside out: EVERT
turned up at the tip: RETROUSSÉ
turncoat, traitor: RENEGADE
turning of one's interest inward upon
oneself: INTROVERSION
turning point in action, belief, etc.: WA-
TERSHED
turreted like a castle: CASTELLATED
tutor, teacher, lecturer, without faculty
rank: DOCENT
tuxedo, semiformal attire: BLACK TIE
twelve or twelfths: DUODECIMAL
twentieth: VIGESIMAL

twenty-one, a card game: VINGT-ET-UN
twenty-year period: VICENNIAL
twice a week: SEMIWEEKLY
twice a year: BIENNIAL
twilight, dusk: GLOAMING
twilight dimness, obscure: CREPUSCULAR
twin-bearing: BIPAROUS
twinge of fear: QUALM
twist, bend, contort: WRITHE
twist, bend, misrepresent: DISTORT
twist or bend out of shape: DISTORT
twist or lurch from side to side: CAREEN
twist or pull away: WREST
twisted cord used for ornamentation:
TORSADE
twisting or being twisted: TORSION
twitching or tossing to an abnormal de-
gree: JACTITATION
two, double or paired: BINARY
two bids made simultaneously are decided
by a flip of a coin: MATCHED AND
LOST
two dancers in a ballet figure: PAS DE
DEUX
two dots over a Germanic vowel to in-
dicate sound change (ü): UMLAUT
two dots over second of two consecutive
vowels to indicate different pronuncia-
tion: DIERESIS
two equally accented syllables making up
a poetic metrical foot: SPONDEE
two meanings in a phrase, one of them
risqué: DOUBLE ENTENDRE
two months apart: BIMONTHLY
two months duration: BIMESTRIAL
two names or two terms: BINOMIAL
two negatives in a single sentence ("I
don't have no pencil"): DOUBLE
NEGATIVE
two or more husbands at once: POL-
YANDRY
two or more wives at once: POLYGyny
two persons sharing ruling power:
DIARCHY
two prosecutions for the same offense:
DOUBLE JEOPARDY
two sections or two opposed parts: DI-
CHOTOMY
two-sided: BILATERAL
two loudspeakers for stereophonic effect:
BINAURAL
two tickets for the price of one: TWOFER
two tones rapidly alternated, in music:
TRILL

two vowel sounds that blend into one syllable: DIPHTHONG
 two years apart: BIENNIAL
 two-colored: DICHROMATIC
 two-edged battle ax: TWIBIL
 two-footed animal: BIPED
 two-god theology: DITHEISM
 two-handed: BIMANOUS
 two-part division of groups or classes that are often opposed: DICHOTOMY
 tying up or binding together; also two or more letters united in print: LIGATURE
 type assortment of all the characters in one size and style: FONT
 type in which the letters slant, usually to denote emphasis: ITALIC
 type or kind, as in art or literature: GENRE
 type measure equal to square of the type body: EM
 type measure half the width of an em: EN
 type plate containing company's distinctive form of name, trademark, newspaper nameplate, etc.: LOGOTYPE

type set by printers that exceeds the space available: OVERSET
 type that is heavy and black: BOLDFACE
 type that looks like handwriting: CURSIVE
 type 12 points high used as a unit of measurement in printing: PICA
 typesetter: COMPOSITOR
 typewriter operated by telephone: TELEX
 typify: PERSONIFY
 typical example, model, pattern: EXEMPLAR
 typical or specific language, style, etc., as in art, literature: IDIOM
 typographical error: TYPO
 typographical ornament or symbol: DINGBAT
 typographical term for part of a letter that extends below the line: DESCENDER
 typographical term for part of a letter that extends upward: ASCENDER
 typographical unit of measurement, 12 points: PICA
 tyrant: DESPOT
 tyrannical subordinate official: SATRAP

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U-shaped piece of metal with pointed ends used as a fastener: STAPLE
 ugly, unpleasant in appearance, disagreeable: ILL-FAVORED
 ugly and malicious old woman: BELDAM
 umpire: ARBITER
 unable to produce the desired effect: INEFFECTUAL
 unable to survive: INVARIABLE
 unable to swallow: APHAGIA
 unabridged: IN EXTENSO
 unacceptable, unwelcome person: PERSONA NON GRATA
 unaccompanied singing: A CAPPELLA
 unadorned, as speech or writing: LITERAL
 unaffected, simple, candid, artless: NAIVE
 unaffected by pain or pleasure: STOICAL
 unlike, varied: DIVERSE
 unalive, spiritless: INANIMATE
 unambiguous: UNEQUIVOCAL
 unattractive, dingy: SNUFFY
 unavoidable, authoritative, urgently necessary: IMPERATIVE
 unavoidable, certain: INEVITABLE
 unavoidable, inevitable: INELUCTABLE
 unaware, unmindful: OBLIVIOUS
 unbearable: INSUFFERABLE
 unbeliever: INFIDEL
 unbelieving, irreligious: HEATHEN
 unbending: INTRANSIGENT
 unbiased: INDIFFERENT
 unbiased, impartial: DISPASSIONATE
 unbiased, objective, impartial: DISPASSIONATE
 unbreakable: INFRANGIBLE
 unbreakable: IRREFRANGIBLE
 unbiased, detached: OBJECTIVE
 uncalled for: GRATUITOUS
 unceasing: INCESSANT
 uncertain: AMBIVALENT

uncertain: VACILLATING
 uncertain, risky: TOUCH-AND-GO
 uncertain or unforeseen but possible event: CONTINGENCY
 unchangeable: IMMUTABLE
 unchangeable: INVARIABLE
 unchangeable, fixed: INFLEXIBLE
 unchanged, undamaged, whole: INTACT
 unchaste, morally unrestrained: LIBERTINE
 unchecked, wild: RAMPANT
 unclean: UNSAVORY
 unclear: AMBIGUOUS
 unclear, hazy, misty, vague: NEBULOUS
 uncle-like: AVUNCULAR
 uncomfortably small, cramped: INCOMMODIOUS
 uncommunicative: TACITURN
 uncommunicative, quiet, reserved: RETICENT
 unconcealed: ABOVEBOARD
 unconcealed, open, evident: OVERT
 unconcerned, apathetic: INDIFFERENT
 unconcerned, lighthearted, carefree: INSouciant
 unconquerable: INEXPUGNABLE
 unconquerable, not capable of being injured: INVULNERABLE
 unconscious, lethargic, torpid: COMATOSE
 unconscious part of the psyche regarded as source of instinctual drives: ID
 unconscious perception: SUBLIMINAL
 unconsciousness caused by injury or disease: COMA
 unconsciousness caused by too little oxygen: ASPHYXIA
 uncontrolled response by a patient in psychoanalysis to a given stimulus: FREE ASSOCIATION
 unconventional, odd: OUTRÉ
 unconvincing, inadequate, fragile: FLIMSY

uncultivated, unseeded: FALLOW
 undamaged, whole, unchanged: INTACT
 undeceive, free from false or mistaken ideas: DISABUSE
 undecided, wavering: IRRESOLUTE
 undeniable: INCONTROVERTIBLE
 undependable person in a group: WEAK SISTER
 underdeveloped countries, especially in Asia and Africa: THIRD WORLD
 underdone, poorly made: SLACK-BAKED
 underground structure or vault: HYPO-GEUM
 underhanded and secret activity, plot: INTRIGUE
 underhanded or shady dealing: CHICANERY
 underhandedness, trickery: SKULDUGGERY
 undermine the morale, corrupt: SUBVERT
 understand, interpret, puzzle out: FATHOM
 understandable, clear: PELLUCID
 understandable with ease, rational, clear, bright, shining: LUCID
 understanding, compatible: SIMPATICO
 understanding, knowledge, or grasp of ideas or things: PERCEPTION
 understanding or agreement: ENTENTE
 understatement for effect, a form of litanies: MEIOSIS
 understood, implied: IMPLICIT
 understood only by an inner group: ESOTERIC
 undertone: SOTTO VOCE
 underwater breathing apparatus: SCUBA
 underwater work chamber: CAISSON
 underworld vocabulary: ARGOT
 undeveloped: LATENT
 undisclosed, beyond what is spoken of: ULTERIOR
 undiscovered, unused, untried hitherto: VIRGIN
 undo, void: NULLIFY
 uneasiness, anxieties, restlessness: INQUIETUDE
 uneasiness, misgiving: QUALM
 uneasy: QUEASY
 uneatable: INEDIBLE
 uneducated, illiterate: UNLETTERED
 unemployed people or vagrants: FLOTSAM
 unending: AD INFINITUM
 unequal: DISPARATE
 unequaled: PEERLESS
 unequaled, matchless: NONPAREIL
 unequaled: SANS PAREIL

unerring: IMPECCABLE
 unerring: INFALLIBLE
 unessential: UNIMPORTANT
 unethical clash of public duty and self-interest: CONFLICT OF INTEREST
 unexplored land or area: TERRA INCOGNITA
 unexpected, without warning: UNAWARES
 unexpressed, unspoken: INARTICULATE
 unfair: INEQUITABLE
 unfaithful, cowardly: RECREANT
 unfavorable, inauspicious: UNTOWARD
 unfeeling, hardened: INDURATE
 unfeeling, impassive: STOLID
 unfeeling, invulnerable: IMPASSIBLE
 unfeeling, stupid, foolish: INSENSATE
 unfilled orders: BACKLOG
 unflagging, tireless: INDEFATIGABLE
 unflinching, resolved, determined: RESOLUTE
 unfortunate: STAR-CROSSED
 unfortunate, unlucky: HAPLESS
 unfriendly: DISAFFECTED
 unfriendly: ILL-DISPOSED
 unfriendly: INIMICAL
 unfruitful, barren: STERILE
 ungodliness, lack of reverence: IMPIETY
 ungrateful person: INGRATE
 unified: INDISCRETE
 uniform, similar, like, same composition throughout: HOMOGENEOUS
 uniform worn by male household servants or employees: LIVERY
 unify, bring together into a whole, fit together: INTEGRATE
 unimaginative: LITERAL
 unimportant, frivolous, trifling, : FRIBBLE
 unimportant, trivial: INCONSEQUENTIAL
 unimportant, trivial, petty: FRIVOLOUS
 unimportant or small details, trifles: MINUTIAE
 unimportant person or thing: CIPHER
 unimportant person or thing: NONENTITY
 uninjured, whole, untaxed: SCOT-FREE
 unintelligible: INCOMPREHENSIBLE
 unintelligible speech or sounds: GLOSSOLALIA
 unintentional: INADVERTENT
 uninterested: APATHETIC
 uninterrupted or extended: CONTINUOUS
 union man who represents fellow workers: SHOP STEWARD
 union members alone allowed to be employed: CLOSED SHOP

union membership not required for employment: OPEN SHOP
 union membership required after employment: UNION SHOP
 unique, one of a kind: SUI GENERIS
 unit of trading on a stock exchange, usually 100 shares: ROUND LOT
 unit that is indivisible: MONAD
 united: IN CONCERT
 united in opinion, all assenting: UNANIMOUS
 United States and Soviet Union: SUPERPOWERS
 uniting of atomic nuclei into one of heavier mass: NUCLEAR FUSION
 unity of purpose relations or interests: SOLIDARITY
 universal, all-embracing knowledge: PANSOPHY
 universal, widespread, also general epidemic: PANDEMIC
 universal, world-wide, general, especially concerning the church: ECUMENICAL
 universe, especially when viewed as a unity: MACROCOSM
 universe, theories of its creation, structure, etc.: COSMOLOGY, COSMOGONY
 universe in miniature: MICROCOSM
 unjust: INIQUITOUS
 unjustifiable: INSUPPORTABLE
 unjustifiable, unprincipled: UNCONSCIONABLE
 unjustly: UNDULY
 unkempt, tousled, rumped, untidy: DISHEVELED
 unknowable through physical perception: NOUMENON
 unknown except by a few specially instructed individuals; secret, abstruse: ESOTERIC
 unknown or hidden difficulty: JOKER
 unlawful, unauthorized: ILLICIT
 unlawful dispossession: DISSEIZIN
 unlawful manner of performing a lawful act: MISFEASANCE
 unlike, dissimilar, unequal: DISPARATE
 unlike, dissimilar, unrelated: HETEROGENEOUS
 unlikeness: DISSIMILITUDE
 unlikeness, inequality: DISPARITY
 unlimited as to subject, duration, etc., or, in an investment company, as to number of shares: OPEN-ENDED
 unlimited authority in a government: ABSOLUTISM

unlimited money or authority made available: BLANK CHECK
 unlucky: ILL-STARRED
 unlucky, unfortunate: HAPLESS
 unmanly, womanlike, weak, soft: EFFEMINATE
 unmarried, abstaining from sexual congress: CELIBATE
 unmindful, unaware: OBLIVIOUS
 unmoved, calm, serene: IMPASSIVE
 unnatural or disfiguring outgrowth, such as a wart: EXCRESCENCE
 unoccupied, idle: VACUOUS
 unorganized: AMORPHOUS
 unorthodox: HETERODOX
 unorthodox in his attitudes: MAVERICK
 unorthodox or liberal in attitudes or beliefs: LATITUDINARIAN
 unpardonable: IRREMISSIBLE
 unperceivable by the sense of touch: IMPALPABLE
 unperceptive: PURBLIND
 unpleasant appearance: EYESORE
 unpleasant in appearance, ugly, disagreeable: ILL-FAVORED
 unplowed land near fence or at end of furrows: HEADLAND
 unpolished, crude: INURBANE
 unpolished, uncouth: AGRESTIC
 unpractical, though romantic in intentions: QUIXOTIC
 unpredictable, uncertain: INCALCULABLE
 unpremeditated: EXTEMPORANEOUS
 unpremeditated: SPONTANEOUS
 unpremeditated homicide in a sudden fight: CHANCE-MEDLEY
 unprepared, spontaneous: IMPROMPTU
 unprincipled, unjustifiable: UNCONSCIONABLE
 unprovoked, unjust, malicious: WANTON
 unquestionable: VERITABLE
 unquestionable, certain: INDUBITABLE
 unquestionable, unassailable: INCONTESTABLE
 unreadable: INDECIPHERABLE
 unreal, false, artificially invented: FICTITIOUS
 unreasonable: ABSONANT
 unreasoning: IRRATIONAL
 unreasoning devotion to one's race country, etc.: CHAUVINISM
 unreasoning passion, foolish love: INFATUATION
 unreceptive, not open: IMPERVIOUS
 unrefined, coarse, natural: EARTHY

unrefined, rough, crude: UNCOUTH
 unrelated, unlike, dissimilar: HETEROGENEOUS
 unrelated to the matter at hand, coming from without: EXTRANEOUS
 unrelenting, merciless: IMPLACABLE
 unreliable: IRRESPONSIBLE
 unreliable: SKITTISH
 unreserved, absolute: IMPLICIT
 unresolved: PENDENT
 unrestrained: IMMODERATE
 unrestrained, excessive: WANTON
 unrestrained, unchecked: INCONTINENT
 unrestrained as in speech or action: INTEMPERATE
 unrestricted authority: CARTE BLANCHE
 unrivaled: INAPPROACHABLE
 unruffled, calm: IMPERTURBABLE
 unruly, boisterous: OBSTREPEROUS
 unruly, difficult, stubborn: INTRACTABLE
 unruly, fidgety, restless: RESTIVE
 unruly, loud: RAUCOUS
 unruly, malicious, fierce: VICIOUS
 unruly, rebellious, irritable, cranky: FRACTIOUS
 usage-based law, rather than legislation: UNWRITTEN LAW
 unscrupulous: UNCONSCIONABLE
 unseeable because of smallness: IMPERCEPTIBLE
 unseeded, uncultivated: FALLOW
 unseemly: INDECOROUS
 unselfish devotion to others: ALTRUISM
 unserviceable: IMPRACTICABLE
 unsettled, difficult to solve: PROBLEMATIC
 unsettled, vague: INDETERMINATE
 unskilled or inexperienced: FRESH-WATER
 unskilled worker: BLUE COLLAR
 unsociable, fierce, wild: FAROUCHE
 unsophisticated, artless, unaffected, unistructured, simple: NAIVE
 unsophisticated, narrow: PROVINCIAL
 unspoken, unexpressed: INARTICULATE
 unspoken, silent: TACIT
 unstable, changeable: LABILE
 unstable, fleeting, transient, fickle: VOLTILE
 unsteady, wavering: FLUCTUATING
 unsteady or irregular movement at sea: YAW
 unsubstantial, flimsy, weak: TENUOUS
 unsuccessful, fruitless: INEFFECTUAL
 unsuccessful, futile: UNAVAILING
 unsuccessful, short of goal: MANQUÉ
 unsuccessfully conclude a project: ABORT

unsuitability: INAPTITUDE
 unsuitable, inappropriate, at odds with: INCONGRUOUS
 unsuitable, untimely: INOPPORTUNE
 unsure, risky: PRECARIOUS
 unsurmountable: INSUPERABLE
 untanned skin of a calf or lamb: KIP
 untaxed, uninjured, whole: SCOT-FREE
 unthinking, thoughtless: INCOGITANT
 untidy, slovenly: UNKEMPT
 untidy, unkempt, tousled, rumpled: DISHEVELED
 untidy in appearance: BLOWZY
 untidy or careless person: SLOVEN
 untidy or soiled: BEDRAGGLED
 untidy or slovenly woman: SLATTERN
 untimely, unsuitable: INOPPORTUNE
 untruthful: MENDACIOUS
 unusable: IMPRACTICABLE
 unused, brand new, original condition: MINT CONDITION
 unused condition, neglected: DESUETUDE
 unusual happening: PHENOMENON
 unutterable: INEFFABLE
 unwavering, firmly faithful: STEADFAST
 unwavering, steadfast, firmly directed: INTENT
 unwelcome or unacceptable person: PERSONA NON GRATA
 unwholesome, noxious atmosphere, influence, effect, etc.: MIASMA
 unwieldily, ponderous, enormous: ELEPHANTINE
 unwilling, reluctant: LOATH
 unwise: INADVISABLE
 unwise, imprudent: INDISCREET
 unyielding: ADAMANT
 unyielding: INDUCTILE
 unyielding, aggressive: TRUCULENT
 unyielding, resistant: IMPREGNABLE
 unyielding, refusing to compromise or come to terms: INTRANSIGENT
 unyielding, stubborn: INFLEXIBLE
 up for consideration: ON THE TAPIS
 up to date: AU COURANT
 upbraid or denounce scathingly: EXCORIATE
 upheaval that is violent: CATAclysm
 upholstery or drapery fabric with varicolored stripes of satin or moiré: TABARET
 uplift, enlighten, benefit: EDIFY
 upper class, aristocrat: PATRICIAN
 upper class rule: ARISTOCRACY
 upright, honest: INCORRUPT

uprightness, correctness of judgment:

RECTITUDE

uproar: BALLYHOO

uproar: BROUHAHA

uproar, brawl, conflict, fight: FRAY

uproar, confused sound: HUBBUB

uproar of a crowd: TUMULT

uproot, eradicate, dislocate, extirpate:

DERACINATE

uproot, pull up by the roots, destroy utterly, erase: ERADICATE

uprooting, extracting forcibly: EVULSION

upset, confuse, frustrate: DISCONCERT

upset, disturb, alarm: PERTURB

upset or irritate: RUFFLE

upstart: JACKANAPES

upstart, newly rich or influential: PAR-
VENU

upward leap, made by a trained horse:
CAPRIOLE

upward stroke of a small letter (typogra-
phy): ASCENDER

urban complex: CONURBATION

urbane, cheerful, lively: DEBONAIR

urbane, gracious: SUAVE

urge on, drive or force to action: IMPEL

urge on, stir up, spur into action: INCITE

urge by earnest appeal, recommend
strongly, advise: EXHORT

urgent: IMPERIOUS

urgent, demanding immediate action: EX-
IGENT

urgently necessary, unavoidable, authori-
tative: IMPERATIVE

urinary system, as a branch of medicine:
UROLOGY

urinate: MICTURATE

urination that is excessive: DIURESIS

urination that is involuntary: ENURESIS

urine-increasing substance: DIURETIC

urine of cattle or horses: STALE

urn of metal for heating water for tea: SAM-
OVAR

used to or accustomed to, habituated:
WONT

useless: INUTILE

useless, ineffectual: OTIOSE

useless person or thing: DEADWOOD

useless work: BOONDOGGLE

usurp: ARROGATE

utensils and serving dishes that are con-
cave: HOLLOWWARE

uterine cancer test: PAP TEST

uterus surgery: HYSTERECTOMY

V

“v” shaped insignia: CHEVRON
vacation for one year, or less, originally
granted every seven years: SABBATI-
CAL YEAR

vacillate, veer, shift about: WHIFFLE
vagrant on beach living off what he can
find: BEACHCOMBER

vagrants or unattached persons: FLOTSAM

vague: AMBIGUOUS

vague, confused: HAZY

vague, subtle: INDEFINABLE

vague, unclear, hazy, misty: NEBULOUS

vague, unsettled: INDETERMINATE

vague concept, general idea: NOTION

vague idea, notion, slight suggestion, hint:
INKLING

vague or indefinite: INTANGIBLE

vague state between two others: LIMBO

vain, silly, foppish behavior: COXCOMBRY

valiant, courageous: METTLESOME

valley or mountain pass that is narrow:
DEFILE

value, in proportion to: AD VALOREM

value of a business in excess of liabilities:
EQUITY

value of a bond, as it appears on the secu-
rity: FACE VALUE

value of a nation's annual output of goods
and services before any deductions:
GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT

value per share, calculated by totaling
market price and deducting all liabili-
ties: NET ASSET VALUE

valueless: TINKER'S DAMN

valueless though showy: TRUMPERY

valve or faucet used to drain off water or
air: PETCOCK

vanish gradually, disappear by degrees:
EVANESCE

vanquish, as in battle, or defeat the pur-
poses of: DISCOMFIT

variation or inflection of words: AC-
CIDENCE

variations or changes occurring ir-
regularly, as of fortune: VICISSITUDES

varied, diverse to a great degree: MUL-
TIFARIOUS

varied, unlike: DIVERSE

varied with many forms: MANIFOLD

varied without limit: OMNIFARIOUS

variegated in color or other elements:
MOTLEY

variegated or spotted: DAPPLED

various, several, many: DIVERS

vary or change often and in irregular man-
ner: FLUCTUATE

vary or diversify by interjecting something
different: INTERLARD

vary or revise, restrict or limit: MODIFY

vary the products of a business so as to
expand it: DIVERSIFY

vary the tone or pitch of the voice, modu-
late: INFLECT

vast indefinite number, innumerable:
MYRIAD

vast or limitless: INFINITE

vat used by brewers for fermenting: TUN

veal cutlet breaded and garnished: WIENER
SCHNITZEL

veal thin-sliced and sautéed: SCALOPPINE

veer, vacillate, shift about: WHIFFLE

vegetate, become dull or inert: STAGNATE

vehemently censure: INVEIGH

vehicle that carries passengers for a small
fee: JITNEY

vehicle with three wheels moved by pedal-
ing: PEDICAB

vehicles traveling together: CARAVAN

velvety, covered with soft hairs: VELUTINOUS
venerable, classic, time-honored: VINTAGE
vengeance or just retribution as identified with an antagonist or thing: NEMESIS
verb form that relates to time of action: TENSE
verb mood used to express hypothesis, possibility, or nonfactual condition: SUBJUNCTIVE
verb of weak form that links subject and predicate: COPULA
verb that forms its past tense by internal vowel change, as "swim": STRONG VERB
verb that is a copula, serving mainly as a connection between subject and predicate: LINKING VERB
verbal contention, or argument about words: LOGOMACHY
verbal noun: GERUND
verbose: PROLIX
verbose: REDUNDANT
verbose, wordy: DIFFUSE
verse containing eight lines and two rhymes (a-b-a-a-a-b-a-b) with the first line repeated as the fourth and seventh, and the second as the eighth: TRIOLET
verse, humorous and often bawdy, containing five lines with the rhyme scheme a-a-b-b-a: LIMERICK
verse free of conventional meter and rhyme: FREE VERSE
verse in praise of wine and sensual pleasures: ANACREONTIC
verse of three stanzas and an envoy, with last line of each the same: BALLADE
verse rhythm analysis: SCANSION
verse that is trivial and awkwardly written: DOGGEREL
verse that is humorous, metrical and usually rhymed: LIGHT VERSE
verse that ends with a lack of a syllable in its final foot: CATALECTIC
verse with two feet to the line: DIMETER
verse's feet analyzed: SCANNED
vertical: PERPENDICULAR
vertical sidepiece in a door or a window sash: STILE
vertical takeoff and landing plane: VTOL
very much: BEAUCOUP
vessel that services another at sea: TENDER
veto performed by the U.S. President by

not signing a bill by the time Congress adjourns: POCKET VETO
vex, annoy, weary: IRK
vibrate, throb regularly: PULSATE
vibrating effect produced on a stringed instrument or with the voice: TREMOLO
vibration or sound caused by the hitting of one body against another: PERCUSSION
vicarious sharing of another's emotions or feelings: EMPATHY
vice-ridden and corruption-ridden area of a city: TENDERLOIN
vicious, inhuman, cruel: FELL
victimized or injured by one's plans to injure another: HOIST BY ONE'S OWN PETARD
victims of poverty or discrimination: UNDERPRIVILEGED
victory at great cost, Pyrrhic victory: CADMEAN VICTORY
vie with or rival successfully: EMULATE
view in all directions: PANORAMA
view of the proportional relation of parts to the whole: PERSPECTIVE
vigilant, watchful: JEALOUS
vigor, dash: VERVE
vigor, strength, endurance: STAMINA
vigor or youthful feeling restored: REJUVENATION
vigorous, interesting: SUCCULENT
vigorous, large, shift, dashing: SPANKING
vigorous, lively: VIBRANT
vile, base, degraded: SORDID
vile, contemptible: DESPICABLE
vile, evil: NEFARIOUS
vileness, depravity, baseness: TURPITUDE
vilify, abuse: REVILE
village: HAMLET
vinegary: ACETOUS
violation of a law or a pledge: INFRACTION
violation of conventional language usage: SOLECISM
violation or profaning of anything sacred: SACRILEGE
violent, impetuous, ardent: VEHEMENT
violent, intermittent: SPASMODIC
violent, stormy: TEMPESTUOUS
violent, sudden outburst: PAROXYSM
violent and loud denunciation: FULMINATION
violent disturbance: CATAclysm
violent outbreak: RAMPAGE

violent reaction: BACKLASH
 violently destructive: BERSERK
 violinist who leads his section of an orchestra: CONCERT MASTER
 violin-like instrument, but slightly larger and tuned lower: VIOLA
 virgin, woman of pure character: VESTAL
 visible or observable occurrence or experience: PHENOMENON
 visible to the naked eye: MACROSCOPIC
 vision blurring or temporary loss caused by oxygen deficiency, experienced especially by pilots: GRAYOUT
 vision defect in which specks or threads appear to float before the eyes: MUSCAE VOLITANTES
 vision, dimmed: PURBLIND
 vision less distinct by day than by night, day blindness: HEMERALOPIA
 vision of something not actually present: HALLUCINATION
 vision or discernment faulty: MYOPIA
 vision that is distorted: ASTIGMATISM
 vision that is normal at 20 feet: 20-20 VISION
 visionary or dreamer: FANTAST
 visionary or imaginary semblance: SIMULACRUM
 visit frequently or habitually: RESORT
 visitor who frequents a place: HABITUÉ
 visual arts involving the use of lines or strokes on a flat surface, as painting or drawing: GRAPHIC ARTS
 visual defects treated by exercises: ORTHOPTICS
 visualizing objects previously seen: EIDETIC IMAGERY
 vital principle: ANIMA
 vital statistics as of births, deaths, disease: DEMOGRAPHY
 vivacity, enthusiasm, dash: ÉLAN
 vivacity, lively spirits, gaiety, sparkle: EFFERVESCENCE
 vivid: GRAPHIC
 vivid, sensational, shocking, violent: LURID
 vividly bright, shining with brilliance, dazzling: RESPLENDENT
 vocabulary of a class or group: ARGOT
 vocabulary or jargon of a profession or class: LINGO
 vocabularily that is specialized or technical and used by members of a particular group: JARGON

vocal quality that is dry and rough or coarse: HUSKY
 vocalist's runs and trills: COLORATURA
 vodka and tomato juice cocktail: BLOODY MARY
 vodka and orange juice cocktail: SCREW-DRIVER
 voice of a male higher than a tenor: COUNTERTENOR
 voice of the people: VOX POPULI
 voice on television commenting on the picture or narrating: VOICE-OVER
 voice tone or pitch variations or modulations: INFLECTION
 voice-affecting throat irritation: LARYNGITIS
 void, undo: NULLIFY
 voiding, nullifying: DEFEASANCE
 voiding, nullifying: DIRIMENT
 volatile, lively, changeable: MERCURIAL
 volume of bids and offers on stocks is relatively low: THIN MARKET
 vomit: REGURGITATE
 vomit-causing medicine: EMETIC
 vomiting: EMESIS
 vomiting action causing strain: RETCH
 vote against: BLACKBALL
 vote to obtain the people's will on an issue: PLEBISCITE
 vote that is unofficial and used to determine group opinion: STRAW VOTE
 voters or supporters: CONSTITUENCY
 votes and influence traded between politicians: LOGROLLING
 votes for a candidate in excess of the number cast for his nearest opponent: PLURALITY
 vowel for changed tense, etc.: ABLAUT
 vowel inserted into word: ANAPTYXIS
 vowel lost at beginning of a word (alone, lone): APHESIS
 vowel marking (straight line) over vowel to indicate long sound: MACRON
 vowel that is neutral, occurring in unstressed syllables in English: SCHWA
 vulgar, common: PLEBEIAN
 vulgar, disreputable, tawdry: RAFFISH
 vulgar, obscene: FESCENNINE
 vulgar language or behavior: BAWDRY
 vulgar or coarse joking: RIBALD
 vulgar, sexual, cheap: RAUNCHY
 vulgar talk: BILLINGSGATE
 vulnerable: PREGNABLE
 vulnerable point: ACHILLES' HEEL

W



wad of compressed cotton or lint used for a wound: PLEDGET

wages remaining after payroll deductions: TAKE-HOME PAY

wagon maker: WAINWRIGHT

wagon without sides: LORRY

wail, howl, hoot: ULULATE

wail, whimper, cry: PULE

wailing lament for the deceased: KEEN

waist measure: GIRTH

waistband that is broad and worn with men's formal clothes: CUMMER-BUND

wait for and accost: WAYLAY

waiter or waitress at a drive-in restaurant: CARHOP

waiting room in theater used by performers when they are off-stage: GREEN ROOM

walk, able to: AMBULATORY

walk about idly or aimlessly, gad about: TRAIPE

walk around something: CIRCUM-AMBULATE

walk clumsily with short steps, swaying from side to side: WADDLE

walk heavily: CLUMP

walk laboriously, trudge: PLOD

walk leisurely: AMBLE

walk leisurely, stroll: SAUNTER

walk with a latticework roof, arbor: PERGOLA

walker: PEDESTRIAN

walking or moving about, itinerant: PERIPATETIC

walking space that is narrow and elevated: CATWALK

walking with short, dainty steps: MINCING

wall bracket that holds candles or lights: SCONCE

wall hanging attached to a roller devised by Japanese: KAKEMONO

wall of stone, cement, etc., for protective purposes: REVETMENT

wall painting by an artist: MURAL

wall paneling or wood or marble: WAIN-SCOT

wall scribbles or drawings: GRAFFITI

wan, colorless: PALLID

wand or staff of Mercury, symbol of medical profession: CADUCEUS

wander from main subject: DIGRESS

wander idly or without plan: MEANDER

wander or stray aimlessly, digress: DIVAGATE

wander or turn aside from main subject: DIGRESS

wanderer, tramp: VAGABOND

wanderer without a permanent home: NOMAD

wandering, roving, straying, itinerant: ERRANT

wandering away from the right way: ABERRANCE

wandering from the point, passing quickly from one subject to another: DISCURSIVE

wanting one's own way: WAYWARD

wanton or lewd: CYPRIAN

ward off: STAVE OFF

ward off, avoid, turn aside: PARRY

ward off, drive back: REPEL

warding off, preventing: PREVENTIVE

wardrobe with drawers on one side: CHIFFOROB

warhead of a missile: PAYLOAD

warlike, brave, disciplined: SPARTAN

warm, glowing, earnest: FERVENT

warmth, or increasing warmth: CALESCENCE

warn, presage, foreshadow: PORTEND
 warning: CAVEAT
 warning, danger sign, especially in zoology: SEMATIC
 warning notice: MONITION
 warning, omen, portent: PRESAGE
 warning system by radar in North America: DEW LINE
 war-provoking event: CASUS BELLI
 wart or other skin growth: KERATOSIS
 washing the body: ABLUTION
 wasps or a wasp colony: VESPIARY
 waste matter, refuse: DROSS
 waste matter from the bowels, feces: EXCREMENT
 waste matter removal, as by kidneys or intestines: EMUNCTORY
 waste or entrails of a butchered animal: OFFAL
 waste time, dawdle, loiter: DILLY-DALLY
 waste time, dwaddle: PIDDLER
 waste time, loiter: DAWDLER
 wasted, scattered: DISSIPATED
 wasteful, extravagant, lavish: PRODIGAL
 wasting away: TABESCENT
 wasting or withering away: ATROPHY
 watch kept over one: SURVEILLANCE
 watch kept, usually at night: VIGIL
 watchful, alert: VIGILANT
 watchful, suspicious: JEALOUS
 watching and guarding carefully: WARY
 watchman, keeper, guard: WARDER
 water channel made with a gate to regulate the flow: SLUICE
 water craft with winglike structures that lift the hull above water at certain speeds: HYDROFOIL
 water cure: HYDROPATHY
 water nymph: NAIAD
 water nymph of folklore, who could obtain a soul by marrying a human and bearing his child: UNDINE
 water of the soil not available to plants: ECHARD
 water or land vehicle or creature: AMPHIBIAN
 water search with a divining rod: DOWSE
 water signs as a means of divination: HYDROMANCY
 water tower: STANDPIPE
 waterfront or river vessels laborer: ROUSTABOUT
 waterproof hat: SOUTHWESTER
 waters of the earth, as a study: HYDROLOGY

waters under the jurisdiction of a state: TERRITORIAL WATERS
 watertight chamber for construction in a body of water: COFFERDAM
 watery: AQUEOUS
 wave or flood: SPRING TIDE
 wave that breaks on reef, rock or shore: BREAKER
 wavelike or watered appearance, as in fabrics: MOIRÉ
 waver, sway, totter: VACILLATE
 wavering, undecided: IRRESOLUTE
 wavering, unsteady: FLUCTUATING
 waving motion: WAFTURE
 wavy, winding: SINUOUS
 wavy in appearance or motion: UNDU-LATING
 way of entry: ACCESS
 wayfarer, traveler: VIATOR
 waylay: AMBUSH
 weak: ANILE
 weak, barren: EFFETE
 weak, careless, reckless: FECKLESS
 weak, cowardly: PUSILLANIMOUS
 weak, emaciated condition: CACHEXIA
 weak, flimsy, unsubstantial: TENUOUS
 weak, ineffective: IMPOTENT
 weak, listless, lacking animation: LAGUID
 weak, loose: SLACK
 weak, self-indulgent: EFFEMINATE
 weak, unconvincing, fragile: FLIMSY
 weaken, destroy the affection of: DISAFFECT
 weaken, hang down: FLAG
 weaken, make feeble or languid: DEBILITATE
 weaken, pine, droop gradually: LANGUISH
 weaken, sap the strength of, devitalize: ENERVATE
 weaken by degrees, impair secretly: UNDERMINE
 weakness, fatigue, spiritlessness, dreaminess, dullness, stagnation: LANGUOR
 weakness or failing in one's character: FOIBLE
 wealth, riches: OPULENCE
 wealthy, fashionable people: JET SET
 wealthy, powerful industrialist: TYCOON
 wealthy man: CROESUS
 wealthy person who has become so only recently: NOUVEAU RICHE
 wear away by friction: ABRASE
 wearied, exhausted, sated, worn-out, dulled from overindulgence: JADED

wearing away or eating away of a substance: CORROSION
 wearing off or rubbing off of particles: DETRITION
 wearisome, boring: TEDIOUS
 weary, vex, annoy: IRK
 weather that is dark and threatening: LOWERING
 weather and atmospheric conditions, as a science: METEOROLOGY
 weather-beaten and rugged: GNARLED
 weave together, combine, blend: INTERLACE
 webfooted: SYNDACTYL
 wedding song or poem: HYMENEAL
 wedged or packed firmly: IMPACTED
 wedge-shaped especially as used in ancient writing: CUNEAL, CUNEIFORM
 weed killer: HERBICIDE
 weeping or grief that is false: CROCODILE TEARS
 weigh down, burden, hamper: CUMBER
 weighing, resting, leaning upon something: INCUMBENT
 weight: HEFT
 weight a missile can lift and carry to a target: THROW-WEIGHT
 weight lost, abnormally lean: EMACIATED
 weight of container deducted to find weight of contents: TARE
 weight unit for gems: CARAT
 weightlessness, in space: ZERO GRAVITY
 weird, ghostly: EERIE
 weird, unnatural, eerie, strange: UNCANNY
 welcome or acceptable person: PERSONA GRATA
 welcome with an outburst of applause: OVATION
 well-being, relaxation, happiness: EUPHORIA
 well-being or happiness as found in a life of moderation: EUDEMONIA
 well-bred, distinguished, dignified: DISTINGUÉ
 well-bred in one's ways, refinement: GENTILITY
 well-chosen, apt, agreeable in manner or style: FELICITOUS
 well-groomed: SOIGNÉ
 well-groomed, smooth, glossy: SLEEK
 werewolf: LYCANTHROPE
 West Indian, Spanish American or Gulf State inhabitant of European descent: CREOLE
 western hemisphere: OCCIDENT

whale oil: TRAIN OIL
 wharf for loading and unloading vessels: QUAY
 wharf or pier to protect a harbor or beach: JETTY
 wheedle: CAJOLE
 wheedle or flatter: BLANDISH
 wheel, spiked or toothed, at the end of a spur: ROWEL
 wheel about: CARACOLE
 wheel heavy enough to resist sudden changes of speed: FLYWHEEL
 wheel on a fixed axis and containing seats hanging from frame: FERRIS WHEEL
 wheel-shaped: ROTIFORM
 wheels with the rims slanted in or out from the hub: DISHED
 while away the time: BEGUILE
 whim: CAPRICE
 whimper, wail, cry: PULE
 whining, complaining, fretful: QUERULOUS
 whip or scourge: FLAGELLATE
 whiplash-like, long, slender and flexible: FLAGELLIFORM
 whirling, revolving or circular motion: GYRAL
 whirling, rotating rapidly: VORTICOSE
 whirling, spinning, dizzy: VERTIGINOUS
 whirling on the toes in ballet dancing: PIROUETTE
 whirlwind or whirlpool: VORTEX
 whirlpool: MAELSTROM
 whisky and vermouth cocktail: MANHATTAN
 whisper intended to be overheard: STAGE WHISPER
 whispering, rustling, softly murmuring: SUSURRANT
 whistle or call derisively: CATCALL
 white linen worn around the neck by a priest: AMICE
 white- or gray-haired, ancient, venerable: HOARY
 whiten or turn yellowish, as a plant does when kept from sunlight: ETIOLATE
 whitening: ALBESCENT
 white-skinned and pink-eyed person: ALBINO
 who goes there?: QUI VIVE?
 whole, unchanged, undamaged: INTACT
 whole composed of originally separate parts: SYNTHESIS
 whole number: INTEGER
 whole, untaxed, uninjured: SCOT-FREE

- whole that is uninterrupted: CONTINUUM
 wholesaler: JOBBER
 wholesome: SALUTARY
 whore: HARLOT
 warehouse: BORDELLO
 wicked: INIQUITOUS
 wicked, atrocious: FLAGITIOUS
 wicked, atrocious, odious: HEINOUS
 wicked, erring: PERVERSE
 wicked, ominous: SINISTER
 wicked, vicious woman: JEZEBEL
 wicked, vile: NEFARIOUS
 wickedness, monstrous act: ENORMITY
 wicker receptacle for documents or valuables: HANAPER
 wide-awake, on the alert: ON THE QUI VIVE
 widely practiced, common: PREVALENT
 widen, swell, expand: DILATE
 widespread: RAMPANT
 widespread, prevalent: RIFE
 widespread, universal, also general epidemic: PANDEMIC
 wife: HELPMET
 wife or husband: CONSORT
 wifely: UXORIAL
 wig for a man: TOUPEE
 wild: BERSERK
 wild, irresponsible, reckless: HARUM-SCARUM
 wild, riotous: TURBULENT
 wild, savage: FERAL
 wild, unchecked: RAMPANT
 wild, unexpected action: VAGARY
 wild or wanton revelry, drunken carousal, debauchment: ORGY
 wild party: BACCHANAL
 wild prank or escapade: CAPER
 wild uproar: PANDEMONIUM
 wildly excited: DELIRIOUS
 will exercised: VOLITION
 will maker, one who has left a will: TESTATOR
 will rather than reason stressed as the active factor in man's role in a hostile world: EXISTENTIALISM
 willful, capricious: WAYWARD
 willing, desirous: SOLICITOUS
 willingly, readily: LIEF
 willingly or unwillingly: WILLY-NILLY
 willingness that is cheerful: ALACRITY
 will-o'-the-wisp, delusion: IGNIS FATUUS
 willowy, slender, slim: SVELTE
 willy-nilly: NOLENS VOLENS
 wily, treacherous, cunning: INSIDIOUS
 win by cleverness: OUTWIT
 win over, appease: PROPITIATE
 win the favor or confidence of others by deliberate effort: INGRATIATE
 wind, cold and dry, that blows from the north through southern France: MISTRAL
 wind, hot, dry, and full of sand, especially in deserts: SIMOOM
 wind, hot and dusty, that blows from the African coast to Europe: SIROCCO
 wind, soft and gentle: ZEPHYR
 wind direction indicator consisting of a cone-spaced cloth bag, as at an airfield: WINDSOCK
 wind from ahead blowing directly opposite to the course of a ship: HEAD WIND
 wind from the east in Mediterranean regions: LEVANTER
 wind from the Sahara that blows in the Middle East before the vernal equinox: KHAM SIN
 wind in a sudden, violent burst, usually accompanied by rain or snow: SQUALL
 wind in and out: SINUATE
 wind is blowing toward this direction: LEEWARD
 wind moving in a cold, sudden, violent blast down a mountain to the sea: WILLIWA
 wind of the Argentine pampas: PAMPERO
 wind science: ANEMOLOGY
 wind-driven rain or snow: SCUD
 winding: TORTUOUS
 winding and turning: ANFRACTUOUS
 winding or bending, wavering, unsteady: FLEXUOUS
 winding path: AMBAGE
 window, a throw out of: DEFENESTRATION
 window, balcony or porch with an excellent view, in Spanish architecture: MIRADOR
 window division, a vertical dividing piece in the opening: MULLION
 window frame: SASH
 window in a spire: LUCARNE
 window opening vertically in the middle as a double door does: FRENCH WINDOW
 window or any small opening suggestive of a window: FENESTELLA
 window or doorway covering that covers

- only top half of opening: LAM-BREQUIN
- window side post: JAMB
- window slats, horizontal and overlapping: LOUVER BOARD
- window that opens on hinges at the side: CASEMENT
- window that projects from a sloping roof: DORMER
- windstorm that is brief, gust of wind: FLAW
- windy pomposity, pretentiousness: FLATULENCE
- wine aroma: BOUQUET
- wine bottle holding almost four quarts: JEROBOAM
- wine bottle or large vessel with handle and spout used for serving liquids: FLAGON
- wine bottle twice the ordinary size: MAGNUM
- wine measure of about 18 wine gallons: RUNDLET
- wine merchant: VINTNER
- wine named for the principal grape from which it is made: VARIETAL
- wine named for the region where its type originated: GENERIC WINE
- wine of no distinction, cheap red wine: VIN ORDINAIRE
- wine steward: SOMMELIER
- wines and winemaking as a study: OENOLOGY
- wing: PINION
- wink: NICTITATE
- winning of every event, as in a series: SWEEP
- winter's beginning when the sun is farthest south of the Equator, about Dec. 21: WINTER SOLSTICE
- wintry,; HIBERNAL
- wintry: HIEMAL
- wipe off or cleanse: DETERGE
- wipe out: EXPUNGE
- wipe out, destroy completely: OBLITERATE
- wire, rope or cable used to steady or secure something: GUY
- wisdom, discernment: SAGACITY
- wise: SAPIENT
- wise, prudent: JUDICIOUS
- wise, prudent, diplomatic: POLITIC
- wise, shrewd: SAGACIOUS
- wise person, infallible authority: ORACLE
- wise saying, maxim: GNOME
- wise statement: APHORISM
- wishful thinking modifying reality: AUTISM
- witches' sabbath on April 30, the eve of May Day: WALPURGIS NIGHT
- with reference to: APROPOS
- withdraw, move backward: RECEDE
- withdraw a contestant from a race, etc.: SCRATCH
- withdraw formally from an organization: SECEDE
- withdraw in fear, lose heart: QUAIL
- withdraw or end by plan: PHASE OUT
- withdraw or remove from former habits: WEAN
- withered, shriveled, shrunken: WIZENED
- withering or wasting away: ATROPHY
- withering, mercilessly severe, harsh: SCATHING
- within the same school, college, etc.: INTRAMURAL
- without a center: ACENTRIC
- without a date being set (for the next meeting): SINE DIE
- without dividend: EX-DIVIDEND
- without warning: UNAWARES
- witness's sworn statements in court: TESTIMONY
- witticism: SALLY
- witty, characterized by higher and finer qualities of the mind: SPIRITUEL
- witty, quick replies: REPARTEE
- witty, short saying: MOT
- witty, terse statement: EPIGRAM
- witty remark: BON MOT
- witty remark or gibe: QUIP
- wizard, sorcerer: WARLOCK
- woeful tale, complaint, lament: JEREMIAD
- woman, elderly, dignified, wealthy: DOWAGER
- woman, old and ugly: CRONE
- woman adviser: EGERIA
- woman beside herself with frenzy or excitement: MAENAD
- woman hater: MISOGYNIST
- woman hired to suckle a child of another: WET NURSE
- woman living under canon law in a community, but not under vows: CANONESS
- woman-man relationship without sexual activity: PLATONIC
- woman or women forming the government: GYNARCHY
- woman servant in Orient: AMAH

- woman to whom a man is engaged: FIAN-
CÉE
- women who have lost social position and
reputation because of promiscuity:
DEMIMONDE
- woman who is abusive and scolding,
shrew: TERMAGANT
- woman who is aggressive, domineering:
BATTLE-AX
- woman who is disreputable, ill-tempered,
perverse: JADE
- woman who is divorced, separated or lives
apart from her husband: GRASS
WIDOW
- woman who is dowdy and sometimes also
ill-tempered: FRUMP
- woman who is homosexual: LESBIAN
- woman who is sharp-tongued or a scold:
VIRAGO
- woman who is untidy or slovenly: SLAT-
TERN
- woman who is vicious or hateful: HAR-
RIDAN
- woman who is voluptuous but treacherous:
DELILAH
- woman who is wicked and vicious:
JEZEBEL
- woman who lives with a man though not
married to him: CONCUBINE
- woman whose allure leads to downfall of
men: FEMME FATALE
- womanhood, femininity: MULIEBRITY
- womanlike, unmanly, weak, soft: EFFEM-
INATE
- woman's dressing room: BOUDOIR
- woman's legal status in marriage: COVER-
TURE
- woman's paid escort: GIGOLO
- woman's trousers that resemble a skirt:
CULOTTE
- woman's work and domain traditionally:
DISTAFF
- women in general: DISTAFF
- wonderful or marvelous to tell: MIRABILE
DICTU
- wood from broad-leaved deciduous trees,
as oak or maple: HARDWOOD
- wood in a thin, broad piece, as that form-
ing the back of a chair: SPLAT
- wood in thin flexible strips, as used for
basketmaking: SPLINT
- wood layers glued together: PLYWOOD
- wooded: ARBORACEOUS
- wooden vessel for butter or lard:
FIRKIN
- woodworking knife with a handle at each
end: DRAWKNIFE
- woodworking training system: SLOYD
- woolly or crispy hair: ULOTRICHOUS
- word, phrase, or clause inserted into a
sentence to add explanation or com-
ment: PARENTHESIS
- word adopted from another language and
partly or completely naturalized:
LOANWORD
- word blindness: ALEXIA
- word categories, of which there are eight
in English: PARTS OF SPEECH
- word choice and arrangement in speaking
or writing: DICTION
- word coined for a single or special oc-
casion: NONCE WORD
- word derived from the same root as an-
other: PARONYM
- word-for-word: TEXTUAL
- word formed by combining parts of two
words: PORTMANTEAU WORD, CEN-
TAUR WORD, BLEND WORD
- word formed by transposing letters of an-
other: ANAGRAM
- word formed from initial letters of lines:
ACROSTIC
- word formed from initial letters or sylla-
bles of series of words: ACRONYM
- word game in which a rhyme must be
given for word or line given by an-
other: CRAMBO
- word group between punctuation stops:
SENTENCE
- word hard to pronounce: JAWBREAKER
- word having the same, similar, or equiva-
lent meaning as another word: SYN-
ONYM
- word identical with another in spelling,
but having different origin and mean-
ing: HOMOGRAPH
- word inflection: ACCIDENCE
- word interpretation largely spiritual and
mystical: ANAGOGE
- word list, with definitions, of technical,
obscure or foreign words of a work
or field: GLOSSARY
- word of more than three syllables: POLY-
SYLLABLE
- word opposite in meaning to another
word: ANTONYM
- word or expression that is not standard:
BARBARISM
- word or phrase often repeated, as a
slogan: CATCHWORD

- word or phrase serving only to complete a rhythm or a pattern: EXPLETIVE
- word or phrase that is an exclamation or obscene oath: EXPLETIVE
- word or phrase that is substituted for another to avoid giving offense or pain: EUPHEMISM
- word or saying that is familiar to most people: HOUSEHOLD WORD
- word or sentence that reads the same backward as forward: PALINDROME
- word order inverted: ANASTROPHE
- word origin popularly conceived but erroneous: FOLK ETYMOLOGY
- word origins and development, as a study: ETYMOLOGY
- word puzzle, as an anagram: LOGOGRIPH
- word selection and arrangement: PHRASE-
OLOGY
- word spelled like another but having a different sound and meaning: HET-
ERONYM
- word spoken, considered only as sound: VOCABLE
- word structure, as a study: MORPHOL-
OGY
- word that has been coined or existing word that has been given a new meaning: NEOLOGISM
- word that is a compound and is divided by an intervening word: TMESIS
- word that makes a statement misleading or ambiguous: WEASEL WORD
- word use that is effective: RHETORIC
- word used humorously in two different meanings: PUN
- word used in cabalistic charms: ABRACA-
DABRA
- word used in sense opposite to its mean-
ing, ironically,: ANTIPHRASIS
- word widely used without regard to its exact meaning: COUNTER WORD
- word with no accent but pronounced as part of preceding word: ENCLITIC
- word with several different meanings: POLYSEMY
- word with the same sound as another but different meaning: HOMONYM
- wordiness: VERBIAGE
- wordiness, circumlocution: PERIPHRASIS
- wordless drama played with gestures: PANTOMIME
- word's alteration by shifting to its begin-
ning the final consonant of a preced-
ing word: PROVECTION
- words altered by transposing sounds or parts unintentionally: SPOONERISM
- words and word groups, their develop-
ment and changes of meaning, as a
subject of study: SEMANTICS
- words in phrases, clauses and sentences in
terms of their arrangement and in-
terrelationship: SYNTAX
- words in a series each having same initial
sound: ALLITERATION
- word's last syllable: ULTIMA
- words of one language altered to resemble
words in another, usually for humor-
ous effect: MACARONIC
- words of wisdom: APOTHEGM
- words or book of an opera: LIBRETTO
- words or expressions placed next to each
other, the second explaining the first:
APPPOSITION
- words that reflect natural sounds, or the
use of such words: ONOMATOPOEIA
- wordy, long-winded: DIFFUSE
- wordy, superfluous: REDUNDANT
- wordy, tedious: PROLIX
- wordy, wearisome in conversation: VER-
BOSE
- work at: PLY
- work avoided by pretending of sickness:
MALINGER
- work clumsily: BUNGLE
- work crew selection, especially among
longshoremen: SHAPEUP
- work expands to fill the time allotted to it:
PARKINSON'S LAW
- work for which one is particularly suited;
forte: MÉTIER
- work shift beginning at midnight: GRAVE-
YARD SHIFT
- work shift usually from 4 p.m. until mid-
night: SWING SHIFT
- work slowdown caused by employees'
ostensibly following the rules
closely: JOB ACTION
- work tediously: PLOD
- work that is dull and wearisome: DRUDG-
ERY
- workable, practicable: VIABLE
- worker, clerical or professional: WHITE
COLLAR
- worker who is ultraconservative: HARD
HAT
- worker, unskilled or semiskilled: BLUE
COLLAR
- workers employed in excess of actual
needs: FEATHERBEDDING

- workers' organization in a single company and unaffiliated with other unions: COMPANY UNION
- working class: PROLETARIAT
- working independently, as a writer or artist, for instance, rather than for one employer: FREE LANCE
- working on a job in addition to one's regular occupation: MOONLIGHTING
- working or moving, effective: OPERATIVE
- working with the hands, work done by hand: HANDICRAFT
- workshop: ATELIER
- world and life as viewed comprehensively: WELTANSCHAUUNG
- world betterment: MELIORISM
- worldly, as opposed to narrow or parochial: COSMOPOLITAN
- worldly, sensual, carnal: FLESHLY
- worldly as distinguished from spiritual or religious: SECULAR
- worldly-wise: SOPHISTICATED
- world-weariness: WELTSCHMERZ
- world-wide, general, universal, especially concerning the church: ECUMENICAL
- worn, gaunt, or wild look, as from fatigue, hunger or anxiety: HAGGARD
- worn out, exhausted, sated, dulled from overindulgence: JADED
- worn out or enfeebled by age or use: DECREPIT
- worried, tense, bewildered, agitated, crazed: DISTRAUGHT
- worry, harass: CHEVY
- worry, harass: HARRY
- worry, torment relentlessly: HARASS
- worry-free, carefree: SANS SOUCI
- worse, inferior, morally degraded: DEGENERATE
- worsen as in quality or power: IMPAIR
- worsening, declining, going backward: RETROGRADE
- worship given properly only to God, in the Roman Catholic Church: LATRIA
- worship of idols: IDOLATRY
- worthless: CHEESE-PARING
- worthless, meaningless: NUGATORY
- worthless, rubbish, nonsense: TRUMPERY
- worthlessness or futility imposed on something or someone: STULTIFIED
- wounds that Christ received during the Passion and Crucifixion: STIGMATA
- wrangle, bandy words: SPAR
- wrangling, quarrel: JANGLE
- wreck, pillage, ruin: RAVAGE
- wreckage that is afloat or washed up on shore: FLOTSAM
- wrestler or boxer over 175 pounds: HEAVYWEIGHT
- wrestler or boxer weighing between 127 and 135 pounds: LIGHTWEIGHT
- wrestler or boxer weighing between 136 and 147 pounds: WELTERWEIGHT
- wrestler or boxer weighing between 147 and 160 pounds: MIDDLEWEIGHT
- wrestler or boxer weighing between 161 and 175 pounds: LIGHT HEAVY-WEIGHT
- wrestler weighing up to 134 pounds or a boxer up to 126 pounds: FEATHER-WEIGHT
- wrestling hold in which an arm is passed under the opponent's armpit and the hand pressed against the back of his head: HALF NELSON
- wrestling hold in which arms are under the opponent's armpits from the back and hands against his neck: FULL NELSON
- wrestling hold in which opponent's arm is twisted behind his back and upward: HAMMERLOCK
- wrestling hold in which the wrestler's head is gripped between his opponent's arm and body: HEADLOCK
- wrestling term for head caught and held under opponent's arm: CHANCERY
- wrestling throw: FLYING MARE
- wretched, cheerless, abandoned, deserted: FORLORN
- wrinkle or pucker: COCKLE
- writ authorizing seizure of property: ATTACHMENT
- writ ordering that a person be brought before a court: HABEAS CORPUS
- write: INDITE
- write, mark or engrave, especially for some solemn or public purpose: INSCRIBE
- write or speak more fully, elaborate: EXPATiate
- write or study laboriously: LUCUBRATE
- write out, compose or edit: REDACT
- writer of articles, books, speeches for someone else to whom the authorship will be attributed: GHOSTWRITER
- writer of polemical pamphlets: PAMPHLETEER
- writers, scholars, men of letters: LITERATI

writer's assumed name: PEN NAME
 writer's name at head of article: BYLINE
 writing describing a pleasant, peaceful scene: IDYLL
 writing desk: ESCRITOIRE
 writing difficult to decipher: HIEROGLYPHICS
 writing in which lines alternately read left to right and right to left: BOUSTROPHEDON
 writing of an ancient mode: PALEOGRAPHY
 writing of words or phrases erroneously because of cerebral injury: PARAGRAPHIA
 writing or printing with flowing lines: CURSIVE
 writing paper measuring about 13 by 16 inches: FOOLSCAP
 writing prose in line lengths corresponding to the sense: STICHOMETRY
 writing technique that records inner

thoughts and feelings of characters: STREAM-OF-CONSCIOUSNESS
 written statement or graphic representation that is false or malicious and damaging to person's reputation: LIBEL
 writing that is backward and readable in a mirror: MIRROR WRITING
 writing that is long and tiresome: SCREED
 wrong; if anything can go wrong, it will: MURPHY'S LAW
 wrong name: MISNOMER
 wrongdoing, especially by a public official: MALFEASANCE
 wrongdoing or guilt implied: INCRIMINATION
 wrongful act, unjust thing or deed, sin: INIQUITY
 wrongful act not involving breach of contract but a possible basis for a suit: TORT
 wrongful use: ABUSE

Y



yarn length: SPINDLE
 yarn length equaling 80 yards for wool,
 120 for cotton, 300 for linen: LEA
 yarn or thread wound in a coil: SKEIN
 yawning or sleepiness: OSCITANCY
 yearn, desire, crave: HANKER
 year or period that is critical: CLIMACTERIC
 year-old animal: YEARLING
 yellow fever: VOMITO
 yellowish complexion: SALLOW
 yellowish-green color, sea-green: GLAU-
 COUS
 yelp or bark: YAWP
 yes, just so; used after a quoted word or
 phrase to indicate that it is accurate:
 SIC
 yield to or gratify, as one's desires: IN-
 DULGE

yield weakly or with bad grace, cringe:
 TRUCKLE
 yielding, persuadable: PLIANT
 yielding courteously or respectfully to the
 wishes or opinions of another: DEF-
 ERENCE
 yielding readily in an emotional way: SUS-
 CEPTIBLE
 young and innocent woman: INGÉNUE
 young man, youth: SPRIG
 young or becoming young: JUVENESCENCE
 youthful, fresh, springlike: VERNAL
 youthful days of freshness and in experi-
 ence: SALAD DAYS
 youthful feeling or vigor restored: REJU-
 VENATION
 you've scored a point, you've got me:
 TOUCHÉ

Z



zeal that is extravagant or frenzied: FANATICISM

zenith, highest point of anything: MERIDIAN

zest, enthusiasm: GUSTO

zestless, dull: PERFUNCTORY

zigzag course in sailing: TACK

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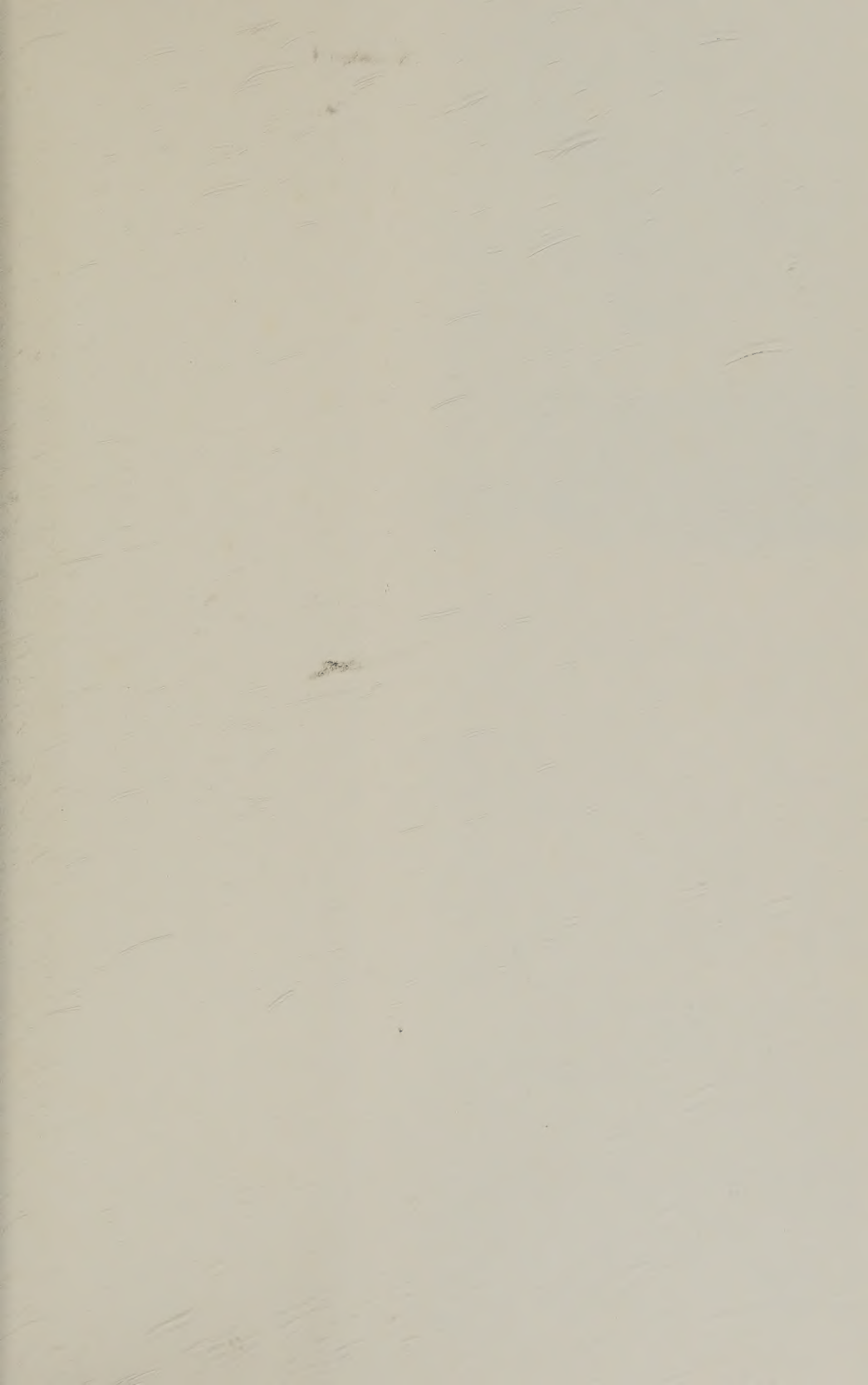




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A

abandon, yield, give up: RELINQUISH
abandon an undertaking: SCUTTLE
abandoned, deserted, wretched, cheerless:
FORLORN
abandoning of one's faith, party or principles: APOSTASY
abate, calm, quiet: SUBSIDE
abbreviation or sign representing a word
such as the dollar sign: LOGOGRAM
abdominal pain resulting from muscular
spasms: COLIC
abhorrence, disgust or dislike in the extreme: LOATHING
abide, continue unchanged: SUBSIST
ability, skill: PROWESS
ability to do something adroitly: KNACK
abnormal: ANOMALOUS
abnormal: TERATOID
abnormal, diverging from the natural
order: PRETERNATURAL
abnormal or irregular arrangement of
parts, as parts of the body: HETERO-
TAXIS
abominable, revolting, detestable: EX-
ECRABLE
abominable snowman: YETI
about, approximately: CIRCA
about face: VOLTE-FACE
about to happen without delay: IMMINENT
about to occur: IMPEND
above all others in importance: PARA-
MOUNT
above comparison, preeminently: PAR EX-
CELLENCE
above the taste of the masses: CAVIAR TO
THE GENERAL
abridge or make concise: CONDENSE

abrupt passage from one condition to another: TRANSILIENT
abruptly cause: PRECIPITATE
absence of government: ANARCHY
absence of life: ABIOSIS
absent-minded: DISTRAIT
absolute, complete: UNMITIGATED
absolute, full, complete: PLENARY
absolute, positive, final, decisive: PER-
EMPTORY
absolute, unreserved: IMPLICIT
absolute, without any qualifications: CAT-
EGORICAL
absolute government by an individual:
AUTOCRACY
absolute power, supreme command: IM-
PERIUM
absolute rule: AUTARCHY
absolve: VINDICATE
absorb, occupy completely, monopolize:
ENGROSS
absorbed in one's thoughts: BROWN STUDY
absorbed in completely: RAPT
abstainer from alcoholic drinks: TEETO-
TALLER
abstaining from sexual intercourse, in ac-
cordance with religious vows: CELI-
BATE
abstract, concise summary: PRECIS
abstract, speculative philosophy: META-
PHYSICS
abstract quality or essence of anything:
DISTILLATION
abstruse, hidden: RECONDITE
abstruse, secret, unknown except by a few
specially instructed individuals: ESO-
TERIC